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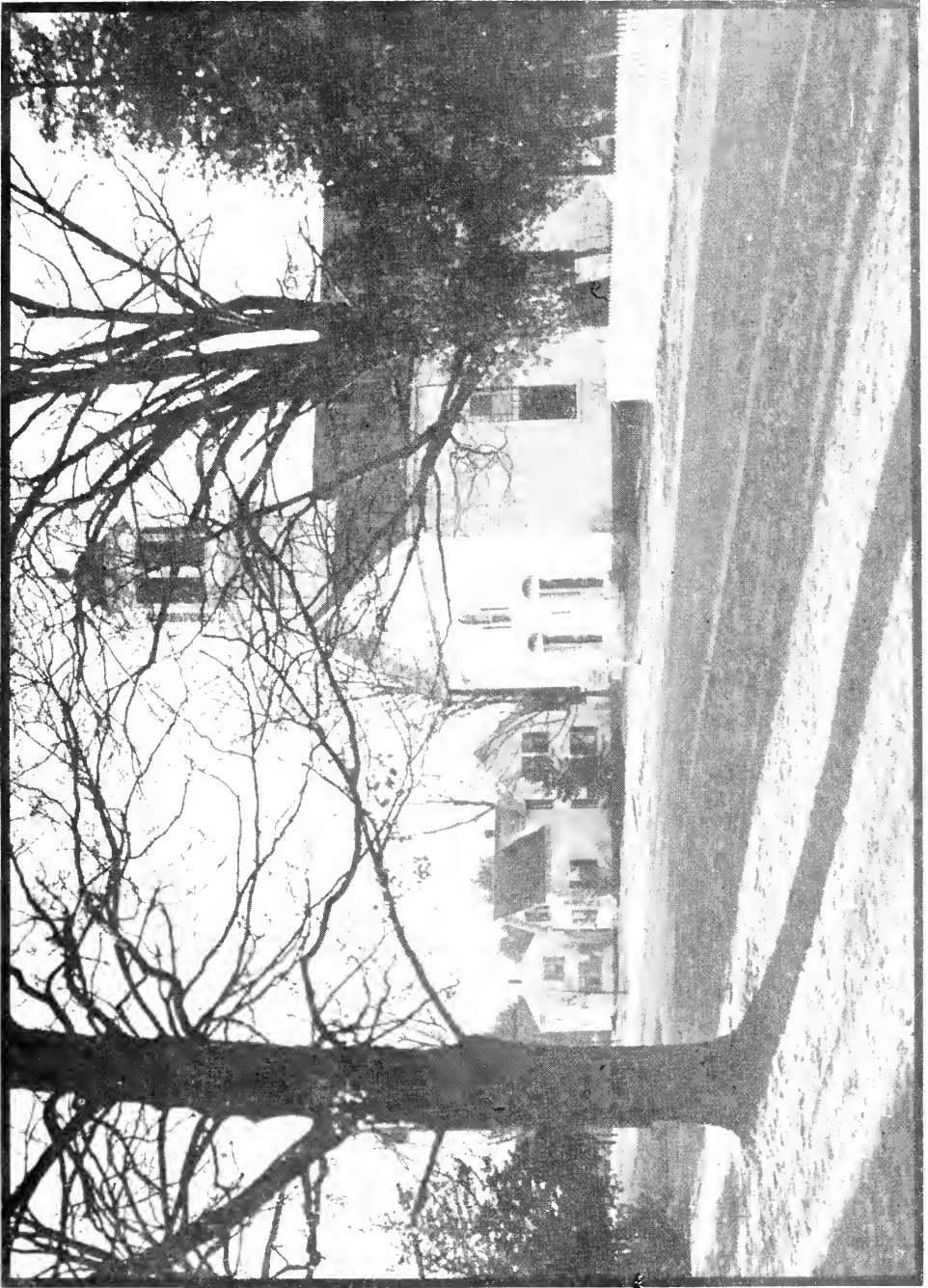


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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of

AMHERST, N.H.

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1978

Also

OFFICERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

Year Ending June 30, 1978

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The 1978 Town Report is dedicated to Herb Harding in recognition of his efforts on behalf of the Conservation Commission and the Town of Amherst.

It was with deep sadness that the Selectmen and Townspeople learned of the untimely death of Herb. His dedicated service to this Town both as Selectman and as a member of the Conservation Commission will long be remembered. We all know of his many kindnesses to his fellow citizens and of the unselfish manner in which he gave of his time and energy to make Amherst a better place to live. We all count ourselves among his friends.

After five years of hard work, spearheaded by Herb, the Conservation Commission acquired the Whitcomb land laying between the Plumb Forest and Joe English Reservation. This addition to the Town Forest, appropriately named the Herb Harding Memorial Forest, will give future generations of Amherst residents an area dedicated to preservation of nature so dear to Herb's heart.

TOWN OFFICERS

Population - June, 1978 - 8877

Moderator

M. A. Wight, Jr.

Selectmen

Ann D. Snow, 1979, Chairman

Thomas G. Grella, 1979

Bert McGill, 1980

Samuel Klein, 1980

Edward C. Masten, 1981

Barbara H. Landry, Secretary

Town Clerk

Bernice G. Boothroyd, 1981

Tax Collector

Barbara H. Landry, 1980

Treasurer

Marion M. Sortevik, 1979

Town Counsel

William R. Drescher

Health Officer

Dr. James C. Starke

Welfare Officer

Edward C. Masten

Zoning Administrator

Russell Abbate

Building Inspector

Douglas Guy

Road Agent

Richard G. Crocker

Police Chief

John T. Osborn, Jr.

Fire Chief

Marshall D. Strickland

Fire Wards

Marshall D. Strickland   David Herlihy   Richard G. Crocker

Custodian of Town Buildings

Ernest Law

Recreation Director

Charles "Pete" Houston

Supervisors of the Checklists

Audrey Spalding, 1980

Constance George, 1982

Robert Wishart, 1984

Rescue Squad

Gustav Just

Civil Preparedness

Roy E. Maston, Dr.

Harding C. Sortevik, Dep. Dr.

Trustee of Trust Funds

David T. Ramsay, 1980                      George W. Brown, 1981  
Raymond Woolson, 1979

Cemetery Trustees

David T. Ramsay                      Harold Nazro                      Edward C. Masten

Library Trustees

Lucy Ramsay, 1980                      Janice Shethar, 1979  
JoAnn Just, 1980                      E. Daniel Johnson, 1981  
Elizabeth Lyle, 1979                      W. Ryland Cox, 1981

Planning Board

Roger Smith, Chairman, 1979  
James Shildneck, 1982                      Robert Crouter, 1981  
Scott Sutherland, 1980                      Douglas Kirkwood, 1983  
Charles Tiedemann - alternate                      Edward C. Masten, ex-officio  
Marilyn Peterman - alternate                      Samuel Klein, ex-officio  
Charles Vars, 1981

Board of Adjustment

Arnold Dickinson, 1982, Chairman  
Thomas Martin, 1979                      John Bachman, 1983  
J. Clark Logan, 1980                      Rosemary Daly, 1981

Road Commissioners

Stephan Duggan, 1981                      Meric Arnold, 1980  
Everett Leach, 1979

Nashua Regional Planning Commission

Judy Hordon, 1980                      Martin Michaelis, 1981  
Mark Leonardi - Alternate

Conservation Commission

Alice E. Arnold, 1979                      William Goodwill, 1980  
William Weatherbee, 1979                      Wallace Warren, 1980  
Charles Tiedemann, 1980                      Elizabeth Barrett, 1981  
Herbert Harding, Deceased                      Richard Kitchen, 1981

Historic District Commission

Anna M. Jones, 1980                      George W. Brown, 1979, Chairman  
Peter Rotch, 1981                      Robert Crouter, ex-officio  
Thomas G. Grella, ex-officio

Recreation Commission

Susan Kierstead, Chairman, 1979  
Richard Newbert, 1980                      James Agnew, 1981  
John Magill, Resigned                      Stephen Oaks, 1980  
Mary Sparks, 1981                      Carl Wheeler, Resigned  
Neil MacDonald, Resigned

Tree Committee

Howard Parkhurst, 1980                      Terry Mayo, 1979  
Ann C. Hines, 1979 Resigned                      Barbara Berlack, 1981

Independence Day Committee  
Ann Bergin, Chairman

Memorial Day Committee  
Peter Bergin, Chairman

Ways and Means Committee  
John Mendolusky, Chairman

Susan Monson  
Ronald Pomerleau  
Christy Belvin

Jean Lyon  
Kenneth Ritchie  
Thornton Jesdale

Representatives to the General Court  
M. A. Wight, Jr.                      Joanne Head                      David T. Ramsay

Member of the State Senate  
Alan Rock

Town Government Study Committee  
Robert Blakeman, 1981                      Paul Savage, 1979  
Sharon Beckley, 1981                      Burton Knight, 1980  
   Evelyn Dudley, 1980

Highway Safety Committee  
John T. Osborn, Jr. - Chief of Police  
Marshall Strickland - Fire Chief                      Gustav Just - Rescue  
Roy Masten - Civil Preparedness                      Bert McGill - Selectman  
Robert H. Prew - Citizen                      Richard G. Crocker - Hgwy. Agt.  
   Joseph H.S. Hoag, School Board Member

Souhegan Regional Landfill District  
Thornton Jesdale, 1980 Resigned                      Norman VanDine, 1979  
Ralph Haskell, 1980



Town Warrant  
The State of New Hampshire

March 13, 1979

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Voting on Article 1 through 4 will be at the polls.

Remaining articles will be considered at the  
meeting held at 8:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next at 7 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing terms.

Article 2.

To see if the Town will vote to make the following Changes in the Zoning Maps and the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst:

Amendment No. 1

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map as Follows:

A. To amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Amherst in the vicinity of Route 101-A as follows:

1. To establish the following described area as a "Commercial District" and, thereby add it to the existing Commercial District to the West of the same and to terminate any existing District designation within said area that is inconsistent with the following:

Continue the present Commercial Zone boundary from 400 feet South of the center line of Route 101-A eastward to Lot #12-16 on Tax Map.

At the westerly boundary of Lot #12-16, on said Tax Map, the zone boundary shall turn southward along the lot line to the north line of the Boston and Maine Railroad right-of-way; thence

Easterly along said right-of-way to the Hollis-South Merrimack Road line; thence

Southerly to the Hollis Town Line; thence

Easterly to the Merrimack Town Line; thence

Northerly to the southern edge of Stump Pond; thence Westerly along the southern edge of Stump Pond and continuing westerly along the northern boundaries of Lots 12-39, 12-38, 12-36A, 12-18 and 12-17, thence

Northerly along the western boundary of Lot #12-19 to the intersection of a line 400 feet North of the center line of Route 101-A; thence

Continuing westerly to join the current boundary of the existing Commercial Zone.

As a consequence of the foregoing change, the following numbered lots will become part of said Commercial Zone:

Lots 12-1 through 12-8, 12-10 through 12-18, 12-36A, and 12-37 through 12-43, all as shown on Tax Map. Also that portion of Lot #2-36-1 within 400 feet of the center line of Route 101-A.

2. To amend the boundary between existing "Residential" and "Commercial" zones so that Lots 2-70, 2-76, and 2-78 will now be located in the "Commercial" zone, instead of the "Residential" zone.

3. To establish the following described area as an "Industrial" District"

Commencing at the northeasternmost corner of the existing Industrial zone located on the South of Route 101-A; thence

Continuing the Industrial zone eastward to include all of lots 2-34 and 12-9 said boundary to run easterly along the Northern side of the Boston and Maine Railroad right-of-way a distance of 1500 feet approximately to the East line of the Hollis-So. Merrimack Road; thence

Southerly to the Hollis Town line; thence

Westerly along the Hollis Town line to the current boundary of the Industrial zone; thence

Northerly to the point of beginning.

#### BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

1. By modifying the zoning map with respect to the Commercial District at the eastern end of Route 101-A so that lots 12-1 through 12-8, 12-10 through 12-18, and 12-36A, and 12-37 through 12-43 would be included in the Commercial Zone.

2. By modifying the zoning map with respect to lots 2-70, 2-76, and 2-78 located at Route 101A and Airline Drive so that they will be included in the Commercial Zone.

3. By modifying the zoning map with respect to a portion of lot 2-34 and lot 12-9 so that they will be included in the Industrial Zone.

YES

NO

#### Amendment No. 2

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance relating to Open Space Development as follows, in order to require a buffer between an Open Space Development and all adjacent parcels of land and in order to reduce the number of bedrooms allowed in attached housing within an Open Space Development:

A. Delete Article IX, Section 9-1 Open Space Development, paragraph C.4. in its entirety and substitute therefor a new paragraph C.4. as follows:

C.4. A buffer sufficient to provide an adequate division or transition between the Open Space Development and all adjacent parcels of land shall be established but in no case shall the width of such buffer be less than the setbacks otherwise required in that district.

B. Amend Article IX, Section 9-1 Open Space Development, paragraph C.2. referring to attached housing by deleting in the fourth sentence the words

"...shall have an average of not more than two and one-half (2½) bedrooms per dwelling unit..." and substituting therefor the following words:

"shall have not more than an average of two (2) bedrooms per dwelling unit..."

**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance relating to Open Space Developments, Article IX in order to require a buffer between the development and all adjacent parcels of land; and also to reduce the number of bedrooms allowed in the attached housing to an average of two.

YES

NO

**Amendment No. 3**

To see if the Town will vote to make housekeeping changes to zoning regulations:

1. Page A9. Sec. 3-11, para. C1. Exceptions to Scenic Setback Requirement. Remove this paragraph from zoning regulations and add to Planning Board Site Review regulations, Page C.4.

2. Page A7. Sec. 3-10 Underground Utilities. Remove this paragraph from zoning regulations and add to Planning Board Subdivision regulations, Page B21.

3. Page A3. Sec. 3-4 Signs.

Para. A. - Eliminate words "nature of goods or services dealt in by a home occupation" (this conflicts with Definition of Residential District home occupation, Page A39 which does not allow signs for a Residential District home occupation.)

Para. B. - Eliminate second sentence. "Two such signs not less than one hundred (100) feet apart..."

Para. C. - Eliminate entire Para. and substitute the following:

(1) In the LC District. On any one lot one common sign identifying a shopping center, or similar grouping of businesses sharing a common group name; plus one sign on the building for each business, the total combined area for each business not to exceed thirty (30) square feet.

(2) In the C and I District. In accordance with C1 above, except total combined area allowed for each business is fifty (50) square feet.

(3) No sign in the LC, C, or I District shall have a height exceeding fifteen (15) feet from ground level to the top of the sign.

Para. D. - Eliminate words "except where offering property for sale or rent."

Para. D 6 - Add words "Signs offering property for sale or rent are permitted. No sign advertising property "Sold" shall be permitted.

4. Page A39. Definitions. Insert words "Private Way. Minimum 35 feet frontage on any public way which the Town maintains."

5. Page A30 Para. F4. Eliminate F4 which restricts Board of Adjustment powers from granting use variances. (contrary to state statutes.)

6. Page A37. Para C8. Eliminate C8 which conflicts with Planning Board power to grant waiver to underground utility requirements, already granted elsewhere in zoning/subdivision regulations.

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of adopting Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Amherst Zoning Ordinance which corrects inconsistencies, clarifies, defines, reduces multiple signs on lots, and withdraws sections which are contrary to State Statutes.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 4 (By Petition)

To see if the Town of Amherst will vote to change the zoning of Lots 2-90 and 2-90A from rural to commercial at the next Town Meeting to be held in March of 1979.

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by petition of voters of the Town as follows:

1. Change the zoning from Rural to Commercial on lots 2-90 and 2-90-1, Route 101-A at the intersection of Veterans Road.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 5 (By Petition)

To see if the Town of Amherst will vote to rezone that portion of Lot 2-34 and the entire Lot 12-9, encompassing all the land south of the Boston and Maine Railroad which lies west of the North Hollis Road and Easterly of the present Industrial District lying in the Town of Amherst, from Rural to Industrial.

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by petition of voters of the Town as follows:

1. Change the zoning from Rural to Industrial on a portion of lot 2-34 and entire lot 12-9 which are west of North Hollis Road and South of the B&M Railroad and East of the present Industrial District.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 6 (By Petition)

To see if the Town of Amherst will vote pursuant to the provisions of R.S.A. 31:63(b) and 31:63(a) to amend the zoning ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

To amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map for the Town of Amherst in the vicinity of Route 122 and Route 101A as follows: "To establish the area currently designated as Lots 1-30-1, 1-30-2, 1-30-3, 26-1 and 26, all shown on Map #1 of the Amherst Tax Maps as a Commercial District, and being property located on the northwest side of the intersection of Route 101A and Route 122, continuing west of the said intersection on the north side of Route 101A to the Milford Town line and situated south of the B&M Railroad. Said lots shall be designated as part of the Commercial District as recited in Article IV, Section 4-7 of the Town of Amherst ordinances, regulations, codes

and other laws."

**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by petition of voters of the Town as follows:

1. Change the zoning from Rural to Commercial on all of lots 1-30-1, 1-30-2, 1-30-3, 1-26, 1-26-1 which are west of the junction of Routes 122 and 101A on the northside of Route 101A towards the Milford town line.

YES

NO

**Amendment No. 7 (By Petition)**

To see if the Town of Amherst will vote pursuant to the provisions of R.S.A. 31:63(b) and 31:63(a) to amend the zoning ordinance of the Town of Amherst as follows:

To amend the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map for the Town of Amherst in the vicinity of Route 122 and Route 101A as follows:

"To establish the area currently designated as Lots #112 and #108 on Map #2 of the Amherst Tax Maps as a Commercial District and said lots are situated on the southeast corner of the intersection of Route 101A and Route 122, being divided by the B&M Railroad. Said Lot 112 is on the east side of Route 122 and Lot 108 is on the south side of Route 101A. Said lots shall be designated as part of the Commercial District as recited in Article IV, Section 4-7 of the Town of Amherst ordinances, regulations, codes and other laws."

**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by petition of voters of the Town as follows:

1. Change the zoning from Rural to Commercial on lots 2-112 and 2-108 which are situated at the southeast corner of the Junction of Route 101A and Route 122.

YES

NO

**Article 3.**

Shall we (The Town of Amherst) adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which makes it unlawful for an owner of any dog licensed or unlicensed to permit said dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such?"

YES

NO

**Article 4.**

To see if the Town of Amherst, will vote by yes or no ballot, to create, establish and maintain a Town Mosquito Control District under the provisions of RSA 437-A and Chapter 171 of the New Hampshire State Laws. The boundary of the District shall be the boundaries of the Town. The goal is to try to eliminate breeding conditions for mosquitoes. Joint efforts with neighboring towns will be encouraged. Any Town

Mosquito Control District Funds would be a part of a proposed Town budget.

YES

NO

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$312,750 to construct a combined Police/Rescue/Civil Defense facility on land owned by the Town with the monies to be expended and financed as follows:

The sum of \$300,000 to be raised by the issuance of bonds or notes for a term not to exceed fifteen (15) years, and that the Selectmen be authorized to determine the method of financing in the best interests of the Town;

and, the sum of \$12,750 be spent in the fiscal year 1979 for a replacement antenna system; for moving expenses to the facility; and for operating expenses for the balance of 1979 after completion of the facility; or to take action relative thereto.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000) to construct a new double box culvert to replace bridge #177/108 on the Merrimack Road including approximately 800' of approaches and engineering fees; and to authorize the withdrawal of seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) from the surplus account for the purpose of providing part of the necessary funds, the balance sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) to be raised from taxes or take action relative thereto.

Article 7.

To raise such monies as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will give the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Funds, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as off sets against budget appropriations for the following specific reasons and in the amounts indicated herewith or take action relative thereto.

Appropriation

Police - new officer	\$ 7,824.00
Police - Cruiser	13,000.00
Fire	950.00
Recreation - Walkway	500.00
Library - Books	1,500.00
Town Hall - Renovations	6,000.00

Highway Department - Traffic control counter	350.00
Rescue - Radio	2,600.00
Total	<u>\$32,724.00</u>

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500.00) to raze the damaged portion, including the two storied section, of the Baboosic Pavillion and to construct a wall to enclose the remaining section of the building or take action relative thereto.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) to construct an addition of two truck bays to the town barn and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount from the surplus account and that the Selectmen be authorized to carry out the intent of this article or take action relative thereto.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand nine hundred twenty dollars (\$23,920.00) to build an addition to the Central Fire Station to provide training and office space or take action relative thereto, and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount from the surplus account and that the Selectmen be authorized to carry out the intent of this article or take action relative thereto.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars for the further development of the Master Plan as authorized by the Town meeting of March 1974, or take action relative thereto.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purchase of two cash registers for the use of the Town Clerk and Tax Collector and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 or take action relative thereto.

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) for the purpose as hereinafter set forth: To establish a capital reserve fund for the orderly replacement of bridges in the town of Amherst and direct that the Selectmen be empowered to carry out the intent of this article or take action relative thereto.

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the optional fiscal year allowed under RSA 31:94A and approve an eighteen month accounting period running from January 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981. Thereafter the accounting period shall run from July 1

to June 30 of the following year.

Article 17.

To see if the Town wishes to exclude from its Social Security plan services performed by election workers and election officials for each calendar year in which remuneration paid for such services is less than \$100.00.

Article 18.

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to make application for and receive such advances, grants, and wills or other funds for Town government purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any State or private agency.

Article 19.

To see if the Town will vote to adopt as a town ordinance the Life Safety Code 1973, published by the National Fire Protection Association, Copyright 1973 with the express exclusion of those sections in Chapter 11 of said Life Safety Code which relate to regulation of one family residential private dwellings specifically excluding those requirements set forth in Section 11-6 of said Life Safety Code so that said code when adopted shall not apply in any way to single family residential private dwellings or to take action relative thereto.

Article 20.

Be it resolved by the Town of Amherst that the New Hampshire Housing Commission be and is authorized to operate in the Town of Amherst, in the State of New Hampshire, that said New Hampshire Housing Commission is authorized to sponsor a project for elderly persons under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 as amended, for any of the following accommodations or a combination thereof; (a) existing standard housing 5 dwelling units; (b) substantially rehabilitated housing 5 dwelling units; (c) newly constructed housing 20 dwelling units; the total amount of the foregoing not to exceed 30 dwelling units.

Article 21.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to be administered by the Conservation Commission with the concurrence of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of acquiring land at their discretion to protect our natural resources and to provide open space in accordance with New Hampshire RSA 36-A, or take action relative thereto.

Article 22.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 1979 appropriation said funds to be placed in a special conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5.



Article 23.

To see if the Town will vote to require that the Selectmen, before disposing of real property the title to which has been acquired by tax collector's deed, first consult with the Conservation Commission, said Commission to recommend if the retention of such real property would be in the best interests of the Town as provided in RSA 80:42a, subject to final ratification of the next annual or a special town meeting.

Article 24.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell one parcel of land identified as Lot #6-65, size .55 acres acquired by tax collectors deed.

Article 25.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell one parcel of land identified as Lot #8-38, size 3 acres acquired by tax collectors deed.

Article 26.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell one parcel of land identified as Lot #5-651, size 2 acres acquired by tax collectors deed.

Article 27.

To see if the Town would vote to approve sale by public bidding of land acquired and held by the Town of Amherst as result of tax sales.

Article 28.

To see if the Town will vote as follows: To determine whether the sense of the meeting would be to suggest to the Planning Board that the following be incorporated into the master plan of the Town of Amherst and be established as a basic guide line for future efforts with respect to said master plan:

- A. To establish and maintain a balance between (1) the pressures for accomodating future population growth in town and (2) the town's desire for preserving Amherst's present rural character: recognizing that the most effective method of preserving Amherst's rural character is to permanently protect significant areas of the town as undeveloped open space.
- B. To maintain the present ratio in Amherst between (1) land that has been developed and (2) land that has been permanently protected as open space.

Given under our hands and seal, this 26th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-nine.

ANN SNOW  
THOMAS GRELLA  
SAMUEL KLEIN  
EDWARD C. MASTEN  
BERT MCGILL

Selectmen of Amherst, N.H.

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

ANN SNOW  
THOMAS GRELLA  
SAMUEL KLEIN  
EDWARD C. MASTEN  
BERT MCGILL

Selectmen of Amherst, N.H.

# BUDGET

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION		Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1979 (1979-80)
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>				
1	Town officers' salaries	26,580 00	26,980 11	27,830 00
2	Town officers' expenses	52,771 00	48,411 89	60,942 00
3	Election and Registration expenses	4,900 00	2,325 45	2,010 00
4	Municipal and District court expenses			
5	Expenses town hall and other buildings	24,043 00	23,049 75	22,930 00
6	Reappraisal of property			
7	Mapping	3,000 00	1,610 81	3,000 00
8				
9				
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:</b>				
10	Police Department	160,624 00	166,713 81	186,856 00
11	Parking Meters - operation & maintenance			
12	Fire department, inc. forest fires	59,895 00	60,300 26	61,320 00
13	Blister rust and care of trees	3,000 00	1,937 00	2,800 00
14	Planning and Zoning	43,587 00	41,156 51	45,433 00
15	Damages by dogs	6,410 00	4,626 78	7,455 00
16	Insurance	66,311 00	63,194 83	79,325 00
17	Civil Defense	1,450 00	1,454 07	1,555 00
18	Conservation Commission	1,650 00	668 31	1,365 00
19				
20				
21				
22				
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT:</b>				
23	Health Dept. - Hospital - Ambulance	19,624 00	19,667 51	20,234 00
24	Vital Statistics			
25	Town Dump and Garbage Removal	56,792 20	56,137 07	71,483 00
26				
27				
28				
29				
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; BRIDGES:</b>				
30	Town road aid	2,206 11	2,206 11	2,546 03
31	Town Maintenance	304,369 22	302,020 96	316,032 25
32	Street Lighting	6,250 00	7,143 44	8,000 00
33	General expenses of highway department	32,678 00	41,413 73	34,266 00
34				
35				
36				
37				
<b>LIBRARIES:</b>				
38	Library	57,589 48	57,982 91	65,860 00
39				
40				
41				
<b>PUBLIC WELFARE:</b>				
42	Town poor	10,000 00	3,702 33	9,000 00
43	Old age assistance	7,500 00	5,187 78	6,000 00
44	Aid to permanently and totally disabled			
45	Soldiers' aid	500 00	0 00	500 00
46				
47				
3				

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION		Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1979 (1979-80)
<b>PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:</b>				
49	Memorial Day - Old home day	2,200 00	2,033 39	2,400 00
50				
51				
<b>RECREATION:</b>				
52	Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts	42,485 00	39,716 82	42,232 00
53				
54				
55				
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES:</b>				
56	Municipal Sewer Dept.			
57	Municipal Water Dept.	1,875 00	120 00	1,875 00
58	Municipal Electric Dept.			
59	Cemeteries	9,320 00	9,120 76	9,787 00
60	Airport			
61				
<b>UNCLASSIFIED:</b>				
62	Damages and Legal expenses	15,000 00	12,911 91	14,000 00
63	Advertising and Regional Associations			
64	Employees' retirement and Social Security	31,170 00	27,116 16	33,300 00
65	Contingency Fund	9,000 00	3,176 75	10,000 00
66				
67				
68				
69				
70				
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>				
71	Principal-long term notes & bonds			
72	Interest-long term notes & bonds			
73	Interest on temporary loans	5,000 00	1,711 92	1,200 00
74				
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY:</b>				
75				
76				
77				
78				
79				
80				
81				
<b>PAYMENT TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND</b>				
82	Grader	8,500 00	8,500 00	8,500 00
83	Truck Reserve	15,000 00	15,000 00	15,000 00
84	Highway Equipment	16,125 00	16,125 00	16,125 00
85	<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>1,107,475 01</b>	<b>1,073,424 13</b>	<b>1,192,151 28</b>




\*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year gives "Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes".

SOURCES OF REVENUE		Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>FROM LOCAL TAXES:</b>				
86	Resident Taxes	45,000 00	47,130 00	47,000 00
87	National Bank Stock Taxes	400 00	535 48	500 00
88	Yield Taxes	200 00		2,500 00
89	Interest on Delinquent Taxes			22,000 00
90	Resident Tax Penalties		355 35	250 00
91	Inventory Penalties		5,063 11	4,500 00
92				
93				
<b>FROM STATE</b>				
94	Meals and Rooms Tax	57,000 00	73,176 41	70,000 00
95	Interest and Dividends Tax	70,000 00	77,435 56	75,000 00
96	Savings Bank Tax	11,000 00	14,835 54	14,500 00
97	Highway Subsidy	58,616 22	57,976 15	62,337 25
98	Railroad Tax			
99	Town Road Aid	2,206 11	2,206 11	2,546 03
100	State Aid Construction			
101	Class V Highway Maintenance			
102	State Aid Water Pollution Projects			
103	State Aid Flood Control Land			
104	National Forest Reserve			
105	Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land		17 93	
106	Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires			
107	Reimb. a/c Exemp.-Growing Wood & Timber			
108	Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund			
109	Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance		4,893 57	
110	Business Profits Tax	2,171 00	2,171 00	2,171 00
111	Gas Refunds	2,000 00	4,051 20	3,000 00
112	Grants	37,435 00	57,875 72	2,300 00
113	Fines	100 00	230 00	200 00
114				
<b>FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES</b>				
115	Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	175,000 00	209,635 50	191,500 00
116	Dog Licenses	4,000 00	6,539 98	6,000 00
117	Business Licensed, Permits and Filing Fees	27,550 00	25,040 45	21,850 00
118	Fines & Forfeits, Municipal & District Court			
119	Rent of Town Property	5,820 00	5,987 60	6,000 00
120	Interest Received on Deposits	40,000 00	31,248 93	35,000 00
121	Income From Trust Funds	4,818 00	5,777 05	5,060 00
122	Income From Departments	13,174 00	24,502 72	16,196 00
123	Income From Sewer Department			
124	Income From Water Department			
125	Income From Electric Department			
126	Surplus			
127	Franchise Fee	0 00	822 51	800 00
128				
129				
130				
131				
<b>RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:</b>				
132	Proceeds of Bonds and Long Term Notes			
133	Withdrawal From Capital Reserve	6,000 00	45,794 24	
134	Revenue Sharing Fund	56,000 00	48,549 00	32,724 00
135	Anti Recession Fund		368 00	
136	Interest to Revenue Sharing		2,756 16	
137	<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	618,490 33	754,975 27	623,934 28

I T E M	LAND (Line 1) — List all improved and unimproved land except Public Utility operating plant land which is to be included in items 4, 5, and 6 • <b>BUILDINGS</b> (Line 2) — List all buildings except Factory Buildings listed separately on line 3. Include house trailers assessed as real property on line 2 and those that are assessed as personal property on line 9. The classification test is their mobility.		Number Of Each	1978 VALUATION
1.	LAND — Improved and Unimproved	35,699,590 — 5,216,120	...	30,483,470
2.	BUILDINGS — Excluding items listed on lines 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 below		...	82,130,960
3.	Factory Buildings		...	3,845,160
4.	PUBLIC WATER UTILITY (Privately owned water supply serving public)		...	110,350
5.	PUBLIC UTILITIES — Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production machinery, land, land rights, easements, etc. Furnish breakdown by individual company in space provided on page 4.	Gas	...	499,100
6.		Electric	...	1,239,981
7.		Oil Pipeline	...	
8.	Mature Wood and Timber (RSA 79:5)		...	
9.	House Trailers, Mobile Homes & Travel Trailers Assessed as Personal Property.		56	232,400
10.	Vehicles		...	
11.	Boats & Launches Enter the net taxable valuation after exemption and number taxed.		74	60,763
12.	TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED			\$ 118,602,184
13.	Blind Exemptions (Number ..... 5 ..... ) a.	\$ 25,000		X X X X
14.	Elderly Exemptions (Number ..... 73 ..... ) b.	\$ 682,800 ✓		X X X X
15.	School Dining Rm., Dormitory & Kitchen Exemptions c.	\$ —		X X X X
16.	Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions (RSA 72:12-a) d.	\$ —		X X X X
17.	TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED (a+b+c+d)			\$ 707,800
18.	NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED (Line 12 minus 16)			\$ 117,894,384

#### Property Taxes

- 72:6. REAL ESTATE. All real estate, whether improved or unimproved, shall be taxed except as otherwise provided.
- 72:7 BUILDINGS, ETC. Buildings, mills, wharves, ferries, tollbridges, locks, etc.
- PUBLIC WATER UTILITY. Value of real estate, buildings and structures of privately owned water companies. No separation between land, buildings or other structures required in this summary.
- 72:7-a HOUSE TRAILERS. A house trailer, travel trailer, or mobile home suitable for use for domestic, commercial or industrial purposes is taxable in the town in which it is located on April first in any year if it was brought into the state on or before April first and remains here after June fifteenth in any year; except that a travel trailer as determined by the Dept. of Revenue Administration, registered in this state for touring or pleasure and not remaining in any one town, city or unincorporated place for more than forty-five days, except for storage only, be exempt from taxation.
- Refer to Page 4.

SPACE BELOW RESERVED For The Department of Revenue Administration	PRECINCT AND SCHOOL DISTRICT VALUATION					I T E M
	Where valuation of Precincts and/or School Districts is not identical with the town or city, identify the unit of government in the columnar headings and list valuations and exemptions in the same manner as on page 2.					
		179,950				1.
		11,753,340				2.
	-	-				3.
		-				4.
		-				5.
		459,033				6.
						7.
						8.
		-				9.
						10.
		-				11.
 \$		12,392,323				12.
a.		5,000				13a.
b.		145,000				14b.
c.						15c.
d.						16d.
 \$						17.
 \$		12,242,323				18.

• 72:8 ELECTRIC PLANTS AND PIPE LINES. Structures, machinery, dynamos, apparatus, poles, wires, fixtures of all kinds, and descriptions, and pipe lines owned by a person or corporation operating as a public utility as defined in RSA 362:2 generating, producing, supplying and distributing electric power or light, or in transporting natural gas, crude petroleum and refined petroleum products or combinations thereof, shall be taxed as real estate in the town in which said property or any part of it is situated.

72:15 PERSONAL ESTATE. 11 BOATS. All boats of every description, however propelled, on the excess of the aggregate value over one hundred dollars.

111 VEHICLES. Vehicles in excess of the aggregate value of one hundred dollars; provided however, that motor vehicles, house trailers and all trailers and semi-trailers used in connection with a vehicle of the tractor type, snow traveling vehicles and farm trailers, shall not be regarded as vehicles.

COMPARISON INVENTORY VALUATION FOR TAX COMPUTATION

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
Land	\$34,309,040	\$34,546,231	\$34,766,210	\$35,699,590
Land Use Exemption	5,019,560	5,169,855	5,199,870	5,216,120
Net Land	29,289,480	29,376,376	29,576,340	30,483,470
Buildings	65,599,630	70,610,870	78,984,520	82,130,960
Factory Buildings	493,500	493,450	851,800	3,845,160
Utilities:				
Water	110,300	110,300	110,350	110,350
Gas	494,340	504,440	504,800	499,100
Electric	1,096,650	1,086,710	1,458,900	1,239,981
Mobile Homes	(53)	(51)	(57)	(56)
Boats	(48)	(48)	(56)	(74)
Total Valuation before Exemption	97,257,853	102,361,187	111,752,167	118,602,184
Elderly Exemption	(41)	(52)	(62)	(73)
Blind Exemption	(1)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Net Value	97,085,353	101,867,187	111,171,482	117,894,384
Increase over Previous Year:				
Gross	3.81%	5.24%	9.17%	9.42%
Net	3.79%	4.92%	9.13%	10.60%

\*Revaluation 1974



Statement of Appropriations  
and Taxes Assessed and Tax Rate

<u>SOURCES OF REVENUE</u>		<u>FOR USE BY TOWN</u>
<u>FROM LOCAL TAXES:</u>		
86	Resident Taxes	53,850.00
87	National Bank Stock Taxes	4,528.00
88	Yield Taxes	9,345.00
89	Interest on Delinquent Taxes	20,271.36
90	Resident Tax Penalties	260.00
91	Land Use Recovery	5,317.23
<u>FROM STATE</u>		
94	Meals and Rooms Tax	73,176.41
95	Interest and Dividends Tax	77,435.56
96	Savings Bank Tax	14,835.54
97	Highway Subsidy	58,616.22
98	Railroad Tax	
99	Town Road Aid	
100	State Aid Construction	
101	Class V Highway Maintenance	
102	State Aid Water Pollution Projects	
103	State Aid Flood Control Land	
104	National Forest Reserve	
105	Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	17.93
106	Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires	
107	Reimb. a/c Exemp.-Growing Wood & Timber	
108	Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	
109	Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance	2,500.00
110	Gas Tax Refund	3,016.27
111	Grants - Radar 1,142.50; LEAA 840; Amb. 7,500: Crusier 750; BOR 12,500	22,732.50
113	CETA	35,192.00
<u>FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES</u>		
115	Dog Licenses	5,950.33
116	Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	18,097.35
117	Fines & Forfeits, Municipal & District Court	20.00
118	Rent of Town Property	7,029.29
119	Interest Received on Deposits	21,746.26
120	Income From Trust Funds	6,000.00
121	Income From Departments	
122	Income From Sewer Department	
123	Income From Water Department	
124	Income From Electric Department	
125	Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	136,805.31
126	Surplus	
127	Franchise Fee	822.50
128	Sale of Property	250.00
129	Gifts	400.00
130	Income from Dept.	8,978.50
<u>RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:</u>		
132	Proceeds of Bonds and Long Term Notes	
133	Withdrawals From Capital Reserve Funds    Ambulance	6,000.00
134	Revenue Sharing Funds	61,800.00
135	Income from Trust Fund Cem. 7,318; Fish 167.05	7,485.05
136	Anti Recession	4,010.00
137	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	666,488.61

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONSFOR USE BY TOWNGENERAL GOVERNMENT:

1	Town officers' salaries			26,580.00
2	Town officers' expenses			52,771.00
3	Election and Registration expenses			4,900.00
4	Municipal and District court expenses			
5	Town Hall and Other Buildings Expenses	7,594	16,449	24,043.00
6	Reappraisal of property and maps			3,000.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

10	Police department	147,604	13,090	160,694.00
11	Parking Meters - operation & maintenance			
12	Fire Department, inc. forest fires			59,895.00
13	Blister rust and care of trees			3,000.00
14	Planning and Zoning	2,080; 8,392; 1,824; 31,290		43,587.00
15	Damages by dogs			6,410.00
16	Insurance			66,311.00
17	Civil Defense			1,450.00
18	Conservation Commission			1,650.00

HEALTH:

23	Health Dept. \$2,400., Hospital \$ <sup>1,384</sup> <sub>3,500</sub>	Ambulance \$12,340	19,624.00
24	Vital Statistics		
25	Town Dump and Garbage Removal	11,350 (38,917)	56,792.40
		45,442.40	

HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:

30	Town road aid		2,206.11
31	Town Maintenance	58,025; 54,146; 120,132; 22,540	268,293.00
32	Street Lighting	13,450	6,240.00
33	General expenses of highway department		32,678.00
34	Gas subsidy		58,616.22

LIBRARIES:

38	Library	49,792, 7,797.48	57,589.48
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PUBLIC WELFARE:

42	Town poor		10,000.00
43	Old age assistance		7,500.00
44	Aid to permanently and totally disabled		
45	Soldiers' aid		500.00

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONS

FOR USE BY TOWN

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:

49	Memorial Day - Old home day 600; 1,600	2,200.00
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RECREATION:

52	Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts 8,250; 19,440 14,795	42,485.00
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PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES:

56	Municipal Sewer Dept.	
57	Municipal Water Dept.	
58	Municipal Electric Dept.	
59	Cemeteries	9,320.00
60	Airport	
61	Hydrant Rental	1,875.00

UNCLASSIFIED:

62	Damages and Legal expenses	15,000.00
63	Advertising ad Regional Associations	
64	Employees' retirements and Social Security 7,115; 18,780; 5,275	31,170.00
65	Contingency Fund	9,000.00
66	Capital Reserves 8,500; 15,000; 16,125	39,625.00

DEPT SERVICE:

71	Principal-long term notes & bonds	
72	Interest-long term notes & bonds	
73	Interst on temporary loans	5,000.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

75	Art. 9, Ambulance	30,000.00
76	Art. 10, Crusier	6,000.00
77	Art. 11, Police/Rescue Facility	35,000.00
78	Art. 12, Master Plan	5,000.00
79	Art. 19, Conservation Commission	25,000.00
80	Art. 20, Upper Wilkins	25,000.00

PAYMENTS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,256,015.21
138	Total Town Appropriations (line 85)	1,256,015.21
139	Total Revenues and Credits (line 137)	666,488.61
140	Net Town Appropriations (Line 85 minus 137)	589,526.60
141	Net School Appropriations 3,418,443.97 = 22,053	3,434,660.75
142	County Tax Assessments 183,709 = 1,221	184,930.00
143	Total of Town, School and County (line 140+141+142)	4,209,117.35
144	DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax Reimbursement -	25,445.00
145	ADD War Service Credits (see page 6) +	35,500.00
146	ADD Overlay	72,183.23
147	Property Taxes To Be Raised	4,291,355.58

TAX RATES (per thousand)

Unit of Government	Rate
Municipal	\$ 5.90
County	1.60
School	28.90
	<u>\$32.60</u>
Amherst Village District	.30

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1978

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	+ or - Income	Amount Avail.	Expended	Accts. Receiv.	Accts. Payable	Total Chg. To Department	Over	Under	1979
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 26,580.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 27,105.00	\$ 26,980.11	\$	\$ 3,715.00	\$ 26,980.11	\$	\$ 124.89	\$ 27,830.00
Town Office Expense	52,771.00	699.58	53,470.58	48,411.89		290.00	52,126.89		1,343.69	60,942.00
Brick School	7,594.00		7,594.00	6,135.54		80.00	6,425.54		1,168.46	7,560.00
Town Hall	16,449.00	717.20	17,166.20	16,914.21			16,994.21		171.99	16,370.00
Elections	4,900.00	85.80	4,985.80	2,325.45		6.61	2,332.06		2,653.74	2,010.00
Legal	15,000.00	934.25	15,934.25	12,911.91			15,309.01		625.24	14,000.00
Insurance	66,311.00	2,668.00	68,979.00	63,194.83		2,397.10	63,194.83		5,784.17	79,325.00
Mapping	3,000.00	653.25	3,653.25	1,610.81			1,610.81		2,042.44	3,000.00
N.H. Retirement	7,115.00		7,115.00	6,173.13			6,173.13		941.87	8,800.00
Social Security	18,780.00	1,142.57	19,922.57	15,169.07			15,169.07		4,753.50	18,000.00
Emp. Retirement	5,275.00	394.04	5,669.04	5,773.96			5,773.96	104.92		6,500.00
Police	147,604.00	8,522.12	156,126.12	153,714.60	313.75		153,400.85		2,725.27	171,898.00
Fire Department	59,895.00	466.97	60,361.97	60,300.26		9.94	60,310.20		51.77	61,320.00
Street Lights	6,250.00		6,250.00	7,143.44			7,143.44	893.44		8,000.00
Damage by Dogs	6,410.00		6,410.00	4,626.78			4,626.78		1,783.22	7,445.00
Civil Defense	1,450.00		1,450.00	1,454.07			1,454.07	4.07		1,555.00
Ambulance	12,340.00	717.90	13,057.90	12,034.76		293.35	12,328.11		729.79	14,110.00
Communication	13,090.00		13,090.00	12,999.21			12,999.21		90.79	14,958.00
Health Department	2,400.00		2,400.00	2,748.75			2,748.75	348.75		600.00
Assessment-LandFill	45,442.20		45,442.20	45,442.40			45,442.40	.20		60,136.00
Souhegan Nursing	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00			3,500.00			4,500.00
Nashua Mental Health	1,384.00		1,384.00	1,384.00			1,384.00			1,024.00
Highway-General	32,678.00	6,172.87	38,850.87	41,413.73			41,413.73	2,562.86		34,266.00
LandFill Expense	11,350.00		11,350.00	10,694.67			10,694.67		655.33	11,347.00
Highway-Offiling	58,025.00		58,025.00	58,050.76			58,050.76	25.76		57,921.00
Highway-Summer	54,146.00	369.13	54,515.13	53,789.42			53,789.42		725.71	55,719.00
Highway-Winter	120,132.00	524.30	120,656.30	117,866.19		502.34	118,368.53		2,287.77	125,605.00
Highway-Road Improvement	13,450.00		13,450.00	13,450.00			13,450.00			13,450.00
Parks	8,250.00	75.00	8,325.00	8,106.78			8,106.78		218.22	8,622.00
Cemeteries	9,320.00		9,320.00	9,120.76			9,120.76		199.24	9,787.00

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	+ or - Income	Amount Avail.	Expended	Accts. Receiv.	Accts. Payable	Total Chg. To Department	Over	Under	1979
Town Road Aid	\$ 2,206.11	\$	\$ 2,206.11	\$ 2,206.11	\$	\$	\$ 2,206.11	\$	\$	\$ 2,546.03
Highway Subsidy	58,616.22		58,616.22	58,864.59			58,864.59			62,337.25
Grader Fund	8,500.00		8,500.00	8,500.00			8,500.00	248.37		8,500.00
Truck Reserve	15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00			15,000.00			15,000.00
Equipment Reserve	16,125.00		16,125.00	16,125.00			16,125.00			16,125.00
Town Poor	10,000.00	285.80	10,285.80	3,702.33			3,702.33			9,000.00
Soldiers Aid	500.00		500.00	0.00			0.00		6,583.47	500.00
Old Age Assistance	7,500.00		7,500.00	5,187.78			5,187.78		2,312.22	6,000.00
Recreation	19,440.00	2,727.35	22,167.35	19,997.58		638.13	20,635.71		1,531.64	20,204.00
Conservation	1,650.00		1,650.00	668.31		146.34	814.65		835.35	1,365.00
Tree Care	3,000.00		3,000.00	1,937.00			1,937.00		1,063.00	2,800.00
Babooasic Lake	14,795.00	1,264.50	16,059.50	11,612.46		151.53	11,763.99		4,295.51	13,406.00
Interest	5,000.00		5,000.00	1,711.92			1,711.92		3,288.08	1,200.00
Libraries	57,589.48	949.20	58,538.68	57,982.91		555.77	58,538.68			65,860.00
Hydrant Rental	1,875.00		1,875.00	120.00		1,755.00	1,875.00			1,875.00
Memorial Day	600.00		600.00	536.00			536.00		64.00	600.00
Fourth of July	1,600.00		1,600.00	1,497.39		102.61	1,600.00			1,800.00
Planning Board	8,392.00		8,392.00	5,129.82			5,129.82		3,262.18	5,004.00
Board of Adjustment	1,825.00		1,825.00	2,127.65			2,127.65	302.65		2,240.00
Zoning	31,290.00		31,290.00	31,819.04			31,819.04	529.04		36,104.00
Regional Planning	2,080.00		2,080.00	2,080.00			2,080.00			2,085.00
Contingency	9,000.00	1,200.00	10,200.00	3,176.75		750.00	3,926.75		6,273.25	10,000.00
	\$1,107,475.01	\$31,094.83	\$1,138,569.84	\$1,073,424.13	\$ 313.75	\$11,393.72	\$1,084,504.10	\$5,020.06	\$9,085.80	1,192,151.28

Town of Amherst


BALANCE

## ASSETS

<b>Cash:</b>				
<i>In hands of treasurer (See Instructions - Attach Supporting Schedule)</i>	1,749,777	00		
<i>In hands of officials (Attach Schedule Showing Details)</i>	752	00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,750,539</b>	<b>00</b>		
<b>Bonds or Long Term Notes - Authorized - Unissued</b>				
<b>Capital Reserve Funds: (R.S.A., Chap. 35)</b>				
<b>Fire Truck</b>	44,178	54		
(For the acquisition of equipment and new construction) <b>Highway</b>	28,739	71		
(a) <b>State purpose of Fund Highway Vehicles</b>	25,735	41		
Grader - 29,072.70; Cemetery - 4,886.21	33,958	91		
Recreation - 3,859.70; Rescue - 3,527.17	7,386	87		
<b>Total</b>	<b>139,999</b>	<b>44</b>		
<b>Accounts Due to the Town</b>	<b>Schedule E</b>			
<b>Due from State:</b>				
(a) <b>Joint Highway Construc'n Accounts, Unexpended Bal. In State Treas</b>				
(b)				
(c)				
(d)				
<b>Other bills due Town:</b>				
(a) <b>Town gas inventory</b>	1,581	28		
(b) <b>Cemetery Trustees Loan</b>	2,500	00		
(c) <b>Accounts Receivable Schedule E</b>	4,986	33		
(d)				
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,067</b>	<b>61</b>		
<b>Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on account of)</b>				
(a) <b>Levy of 1977</b>	71,019	05		
(b) <b>Levy of 1976</b>	24,617	96		
(c) <b>Levy of 1975</b>				
(d) <b>Previous Years</b>	1,004	95		
<b>Total</b>	<b>96,641</b>	<b>96</b>		
<b>Uncollected Taxes:</b>				
(a) <b>Levy of 1978, including Resident Taxes</b>	555,591	06		
(b) <b>Levy of 1977</b>	3,026	48		
(c) <b>Levy of 1976</b>				
(d) <b>Previous Years</b>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>560,617</b>	<b>54</b>		
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>2,556,865</b>	<b>55</b>		
<b>Current Deficit (Excess of liabilities over assets)</b>				
<b>This Grand Total</b>	<b>2,556,865</b>	<b>55</b>		
<b>Current Surplus (Deficit), December 31, 1977</b>				
<b>Current Surplus (Deficit), December 31, 1978</b>				
<b>Increase-Decrease of Surplus (Deficit)-Change in Financial Condition</b>				

## SHEET

For the Year Ended December 31, 1978, June 30, 1979

LIABILITIES					
Accounts Owed by the Town: tax overpayments, to be refunded		241	35		
Bills outstanding	Schedule B	11,393	72	• • • • •	•
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations: (Attach Schedule)		49,249	48	• • • • •	•
Unexpended Balances of Bond & Note Funds (Attach Schedule)				• • • • •	•
<del>X Sewer</del> Fund s	Schedule D	16,728	54	• • • • •	•
Parking Meter Fund				• • • • •	•
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds		17,771	50	• • • • •	•
Unexpended Law Enforcement Assistance Funds				• • • • •	•
Unexpended State Highway Subsidy Funds				• • • • •	•
Performance Gaurantee (Bond) Deposits				• • • • •	•
Due to State:				• • • • •	•
2% - Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes				• • • • •	•
(Uncollected \$ 9,64 ) (Collected—not remitted to State Treas. \$1,945.57 )		1,955	21	• • • • •	•
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't)		1,962	31	• • • • •	•
County Taxes Payable				• • • • •	•
Precincts Taxes Payable				• • • • •	•
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable		2,078,872	48	• • • • •	•
Tax Anticipation Notes Outstanding: <small>List each note separately with name of holder and maturity date</small>				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
Other Liabilities (Attach Schedule)				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
Total Accounts Owed by the Town				• • • • •	•
					2,178,174 59
State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:				• • • • •	•
(a) Unexpended balance in State Treasury				• • • • •	•
(b) Unexpended balance in Town Treasury				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
Capital Reserve Funds: (Offsets similar Asset account)				• • • • •	•
					139,999 44
Total Liabilities				• • • • •	•
					2,318,174 03
Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)				• • • • •	•
					238,691 52
Should equal  this Grand Total				• • • • •	•
					2,556,865 55





# **SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

As of December 31, 1978: June 30, 1979 (1)

1. Long Term Notes Outstanding: (List Each Issue Separately)	Purpose of Issue (2)	Amount			
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
2. Total Long Term Notes Outstanding		• • • • •	•		
3. Bonds Outstanding: (List Each Issue Separately)					
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
				• • • • •	•
4. Total Bonds Outstanding		• • • • •	•		
5. Total Long Term Indebtedness – December 31, 1978; June 30, 1979 (Line 2 Plus Line 4)		• • • • •	•		

(1) Amount of outstanding long term indebtedness must be reported as of the end of the municipality's fiscal year, i.e., in towns reporting on a calendar year basis-December 31, 1978, in towns reporting on a fiscal year basis-June 30, 1979, or other applicable date.

(2) Use code "S" for Sewer Bonds; "W" for Water Bonds; "G" for General Purpose Bonds.

## **RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

1. Outstanding Long Term Debt – January 1, 1978, July 1, 1978	• • • • •	•	11,297	47
2. New Debt Created During Fiscal Year:	• • • • •	•	• • • • •	•
a. Long Term Notes Issued			• • • • •	•
b. Bonds Issued			• • • • •	•
3. Total (Line 2a and 2b)	• • • • •	•		
4. Total (Line 1 and 3)	• • • • •	•	11,297	47
5. Debt Retirement During Fiscal Year:	• • • • •	•	• • • • •	•
a. Long Term Notes Paid			11,297	47
b. Bonds Paid			• • • • •	•
6. Total (Line 5a and 5b)	• • • • •	•	11,297	47
7. Outstanding Long Term Debt – December 31, 1978, June 30, 1979 (Line 4 Less Line 6)	• • • • •	•	• • • • •	•
	• • • • •	•		0 00

DO NOT REPORT LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS AS LIABILITIES ON PAGE 3

Schedule of Town Property

<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Property and Map No.</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Value</u>
1824	Town Hall & Land, 18-43		\$180,000
	Equipment		30,000
1890	Library & Land, 17-7		179,500
	Equipment		47,000
	Police Equipment		25,000
1872	Village Fire Station		89,300
	Equipment		148,200
1917	Highway Dept. Land & Bldg.		23,200
	Equipment		121,000
	Parks, Commons & Playground		5,000
1953	Brick School, 17-82		155,000
	Equipment		2,000
	Annex		29,800
1973	Cemetery Tool House		5,300
	Equipment		6,000
	Rescue Equipment		35,000
1971	Baboosic Lake Land & Bldg., 24-13		50,000
	Equipment		3,000
	Town Sanitary Land Fill		2,120
1932	Baboosic Dump, 6-86		1,990
1974	Souhegan Land Fill, 8-9		85,000
1975	South Amherst Fire Station, 2-127/1		55,500
1904	Land for Village Courts		1,000
1977	Howard Cemetery		10,000
1977	Carey Development		1,000
1977	Jasper Valley Dev. Crop.		
1977	Sullivan		
1976	Thibodeau Land, 2-163	1A	3,000

Conservation Land:

1969	Sherburne Lane, 2-145/3	10A	1,000
1970	Joe English Brook, 10/2	77A	30,000
1974	20 Associates Land, 9-2	117A	40,000
1968	Odell Meadow, 5-152	47A	1,400
1970	Boissonault Lane, 1-22/1	23A	8,500
1971	Plumb Land, 10-40/1	47A	4,300
1970	Erikson Land, 10-3	8A	1,440
1970	Bartlett Land, 4-55	2A	800
1974	Wilkins Land, 5-147	5.5A	200
1975	The Meadows Conservation Land, 6-115	6A	3,500
1976	Ross Land, 6-112		600
1978	Harding Memorial, 10-4	80A	55,000
1978	Addition to Plumb Forest, 10-18	20A	13,600
1977	Carey Development Corp., 4-52/4		5,000

Tax Deeds:

1970	Brown Lot, at Lake	1A	500
1959	Goodwin Bldg.		100
1938	Chandler Lot, 6/38	3A	100
1938	Melendy Lot, 4-16/1	2A	100

Tax Deeds Cont'd:

1965	White Lot, 4-16	1A	1,090
1957	Gelinas Land, 11-17	16A	960
1970	Broadway Lot, 24-11	.04A	2,330
1958	Brooks Land, 24-19	.14A	1,780
1969	Glover Land, 1-30	30A	1,520
1973	Jones Lot, 2-26	1A	200
1971	Nash Land, 24-77 & 61		150
1974	Yankee Homes Land, 5-82	5A	500
1974	Yankee Homes Land, 5-170	3A	150
1974	Yankee Homes Land, 5-169	3A	100
1976	Essex Lot, 5-65/1	2A	100
1976	Sylvester Lot, 8-77/10	17.5A	15,600
1976	Currier Land, 2-115	6A	600
1976	Currier Land, 4/34/23	14A	1,200
1977	Cloutier, 6-65	1A	1,000

Itemization of Qualifying Current Use,  
Acreages and Assessments

	<u>No. of Owners</u>	<u>No. of Acres</u>
a/c Farm Land	55	1,133.69
a/c Wetland	47	553.75
a/c Flood Plain		
a/c Forest Land	74	2,818.80
a/c Recreational Land		
a/c Wild Land	60	2,992.62

TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE OF LAND UNDER CURRENT USE.....\$547,086.00

Report of the Town Clerk

For the Year Ending December 31, 1978

7745 Vehicle Registrations	\$207,617.50	
2018 Vehicle Titles	2,018.00	
Vital Statistics	441.00	
Uniform Commercial Codes	1,305.00	
Business Permits & Filing Fees	15.00	
Misc. Pole Lic.	12.00	
Liquor Permit	<u>2.00</u>	
		\$211,410.50
44 1977 Dog Tags	87.45	
9 Kennel Lic.		
1349 1978 Dog Tags and Late Fees	6,442.30	
Fines (unrestrained Dogs)	<u>210.00</u>	
Total Collected	6,739.75	
Total Deposited	<u>6,739.98</u>	
Over Deposit	.23	\$ <u>6,739.98</u>
Total Amount Paid to Town Treasurer		\$218,150.48

Respectfully submitted,

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk

December 31, 1978

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## Summary of the Warrants - 1978

Committed to Collector		
Property	4,265,452.73	
Yield	11,713.28	
Bank Stock	535.48	
Land Use Recovery	13,947.23	
Added Taxes	9,314.34	
Cash Over (Stabile)	284.16	
Interest Collected	<u>2,298.63</u>	4,303,545.85
Remitted to Treasurer		
Property	3,717,321.73	
Cash Over	284.16	
Yield Tax	11,655.44	
Bank Stock	535.48	
Land Use Recovery	<u>11,467.23</u>	3,741,264.04
Interest Collected		2,298.63
Cash In hands of collector		712.00
Abated per list		8,250.12
Uncollected per list		
Property	548,483.22	
Yield	57.84	
Land Use	<u>2,480.00</u>	<u>551,021.06</u>
		4,303,545.85

## Summary of Warrants - 1977

Uncollected property 1/1/78	788,155.80
added property taxes	2,992.26
Bad Check collected	912.80
Addition error 1977	1.77
Cash Over	<u>144.44</u>
	792,207.07
Interest Collected	<u>15,883.65</u>
TOTAL	808,090.72
Remitted to Treasurer	781,128.55
Interest	<u>15,883.65</u>
Total Remitted	797,012.20
Abated	9,212.04
Uncollected	
D. Anderson	1,858.20
R. Gilman	<u>8.28</u>
TOTAL	808,090.72

1978 RESIDENT TAX

Taxes Committed to Collector	53,850.00
Added Taxes	1,590.00

Penalties Collected	<u>85.00</u>
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TOTAL	55,525.00
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Remitted to Treasurer	44,450.00
Penalties Remitted	<u>85.00</u>

Total Remitted	55,535.00
Abated Per list	4,420.00

Uncollected per list	<u>6,570.00</u>
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TOTAL	55,525.00
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1977 RESIDENT TAX

Uncollected 1/1/78	5,680.00
Added Taxes	530.00

Penalties Collected	<u>265.35</u>
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TOTAL	6,475.35
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Remitted to Treasurer	2,610.00
Penalties Remitted	<u>265.35</u>

Total Remitted	2,875.35
Abated Per List	2,430.00

Uncollected per list	<u>1,170.00</u>
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TOTAL	6,475.35
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1976 RESIDENT TAX

Uncollected 1/1/78	470.00
Added in 1978	50.00

Penalties Collected	<u>5.00</u>
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TOTAL	525.00
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Remitted to Treasurer	60.00
Penalties Remitted	<u>5.00</u>

Total Remitted	65.00
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Abated per list	<u>460.00</u>
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TOTAL	525.00
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1975 RESIDENT TAX

Uncollected 1/1/78	70.00
Abated in 1979	70.00

1974 RESIDENT TAX

Added in 1978	10.00
Remitted to Treasurer	10.00

SUMMARY OF 1976 PROPERTY WARRANT

Uncollected 1/1/78	175.50
Remitted to Treasurer	175.50

# Report of Tax Sales and Unredeemed Taxes:

## Tax Accounts for:

	1977	1976	Prior
Uncollected 1/1/78			
Cash Short 1/1/78		40,180.21	20,080.44
Sold to Town 6/13/78	91,702.38		.01
Sold to Town 7/17/78	3,168.36		
Sold to Town 9/30/78	2,339.06		
Interest Collected	755.26	1,482.03	3,884.96
Cash Over	60.01		
TOTAL	98,025.07	41,662.24	23,965.41
Remitted to Treasurer error in total	26,226.59	15,202.67	19,025.50 50.00
Abated	24.17	359.58	
Interest Collected	755.26	1,482.03	3,884.96
Uncollected 12/31/78	71,019.05	24,617.96	1,004.95
TOTAL	98,025.07	41,662.24	23,965.41



# Summary of Town Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand January 1, 1978 \$1,111,330.85

## RECEIPTS

Tax Collector		4,654,823.54
Town Clerk		218,133.48
Elections and Registrations		80.30
Miscellaneous Income		388.64
Permits and Licenses		847.51
Rental Income, Town Buildings		1,987.60
Trustees of the Trust Fund	48,294.24	
Gifts	<u>225.00</u>	
		48,519.24
Trustees of the Cemetery		2,885.00
Zoning Administrator		27,265.25
Amherst Highway Department		2,526.04
Amherst Police Department		15,433.57
Amherst Fire Department		596.47
Amherst Library-Insurance		949.20
Fourth of July Committee		210.00
Bi-Centennial Committee		96.75
Amherst Recreation Commission	9,990.08	
Baboosic Lake Park	<u>4,719.00</u>	
		14,709.08
Amherst Rescue Squad		10,058.61
Town Hall and Office Expenses		841.85
Return of Duplicate Checks		10,926.68
Souhegan Regional Landfill		
Rental	5,000.00	
Credit to Landfill Expense	<u>1,979.50</u>	
		6,979.50
CETA Funds, Highway and Library	21,883.68	
Old Age Assistance	4,893.57	
Town Poor	<u>950.00</u>	
		27,727.25
Insurance		
Blue Cross-Blue Shield Rebate	566.95	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	687.05	
Slawsby-Workmen's Compensation	<u>535.00</u>	
		1,789.00
State of New Hampshire		
Gas Subsidy	57,976.15	
Business Profits Tax	25,447.64	
Interest and Dividends Tax	77,435.56	
Rooms and Meals Tax	73,176.41	
Forest Land Reimbursement	17.93	
Forest Fire Bills	45.28	
Bank Stock	14,835.54	
Tennis Grants	15,053.25	
State Liquor Card	<u>2.00</u>	
		<u>263,989.76</u>

Total Receipts 5,311,764.32

Savings Account Investments

Amherst Recreation - Baboosic Account

Savings 1/1/78	\$ 1,203.44
Deposits	155.00
Interest	50.13
	<hr/> 1,408.57
Withdrawals	-1,169.24
Balance 12/31/78	<hr/> 239.33

Amherst Conservation Commission Account

Savings 1/1/78	4,984.95
Deposits	6,549.66
Interest	435.71
	<hr/> 11,970.32
Withdrawals	-50.00
Balance 12/31/78	<hr/> 11,920.32

Amherst Police Gift Account

Savings 1/1/78	194.84
Deposits	375.00
Interest	14.99
	<hr/> 584.83
Withdrawals	79.62
Balance 12/31/78	<hr/> 505.21

Excess Town Funds Account

Savings 1/1/78	580.98
Deposits	2,100,028.79
Interest	6,248.54
	<hr/> 2,106,858.31
Withdrawals	2,004,100.94
Balance 12/31/78	<hr/> 102,757.37

Revenue Sharing Account (Federal)

Savings 1/1/78	33,456.60
Deposits	48,549.00
Interest	2,576.47
	<hr/> 84,582.07
Withdrawals	66,810.57
Balance 12/31/78	<hr/> 17,771.50

Amherst Conservation Land Purchase Account

Savings 1/1/78	32,837.82
Interest	1,035.87
	<hr/> 33,873.69
Withdrawals	30,000.00
Balance 12/31/78	<hr/> 3,873.69

Anti-Recession Savings Account

Savings 1/1/78	3,991.90
Deposits	368.00
Interest	179.69
	<hr/> 4,539.59
Account closed 9/6/78	-4,539.59
	<hr/> 0.00

Peter Koster Escrow Account	
Savings 1/1/78	250.43
Interest	13.91
	<hr/> 264.34
Account closed 11/8/78	-264.34
	<hr/> 0.00

Zolkos Timber Account	
Savings 1/1/78	135.95
Interest	6.33
	<hr/> 142.28
Account closed 9/6/78	-142.28
	<hr/> 0.00

Amherst Rescue - CPR Account	
Opened 7/12/78	14.50
Deposits	173.60
Interest	1.89
	<hr/> 189.99
Balance 12/31/78	

Bowlan Lumber Account	
Opened 11/15/78	1,950.00
Interest	12.31
	<hr/> 1,962.31
Balance 12/31/78	

#### CD Investments 1978

CD Investments	3,907,584.75
Interest	25,000.39
	<hr/> 3,932,585.14

CD's to General Fund	1,279,702.21
Interest to Excess Town Funds Savings Acct.	175,631.38
CD's reinvested	965,706.90
Outstanding CD's	1,511,544.65
	<hr/> 3,932,585.14

#### Schedule A

Cash in hands of Treasurer on deposit	
in General Fund 1/1/79	99,012.63
Revenue Sharing Savings Account	17,771.50
Amherst Recreation-Baboosic Account	239.33
Conservation Commission Savings Account	11,920.32
Conservation Commission Land Purchase Acct.	3,873.69
Amherst Police Gift Account	505.21
Excess Town Funds Account	102,757.37
Amherst Rescue-CPR Account	189.99
Bowlan Lumber Escrow Account	1,062.31
CD#1108	102,614.08
CD#1104	152,930.57
CD#1105	125,000.00
CD#2135	323,000.00
CD#2136	397,000.00
CD#1112	181,000.00
CD#14-0001	130,000.00
CD#1115	100,000.00
	<hr/> 1,749,777.00

MARION M. SORTEVIK, Treasurer

# Federal Revenue Sharing Entitlements

Unexpended Balance 12/31/77 \$26,067.87

1978 Entitlements:

1-78	\$12,137.00
4-78	12,137.00
7-78	12,137.00
10-78	<u>12,138.00</u>

48,549.00

Interest Received

2,576.47

Total Available

\$77,193.34

EXPENDED:

	Unexpended. Bal., 1/1/78	Approp. '78	Expended	Returned to Fund	Unexpended.
Article 8					
Cruiser	\$5,200.00		\$ 3,673.68	\$1,526.32	
Article 9					
Audit '77	3,100.00		3,100.00		
Article 8					
Budget		\$20,800.00	16,661.90	638.10	\$3,500.00
Article 9					
Ambulance '78		5,000.00	5,000.00		
Article 10					
Cruiser		6,000.00			6,000.00
Article 11					
Police/Rescue		25,000.00	25,000.00		
Article 12					
Master Plan		5,000.00	5,000.00		
Total	\$8,300.00	\$61,800.00	\$58,435.58	\$2,164.42	\$9,500.00

Total Expended \$58,435.58

Unexpended Balance 9,500.00

Sub-total 67,935.58

Amount available for allocation 9,257.76

Total \$77,193.34



Town of Amherst

**UNIFORM  
RECEIPTS AND**

**RECEIPTS**

<b>Current Revenue:</b>				
<b>From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer)</b>				
1. Property Taxes – Current Year – 1978	3,729,073.12	• • • • •	•	
2. Resident Taxes – Current Year – 1978	44,460.00	• • • • •	•	
3. National Bank Stock Taxes – Current Year – 1978	535.48	• • • • •	•	
4. Yield Taxes – Current Year – 1978	11,655.44	• • • • •	•	
5. Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted	• • • • •	•	3,785,724.04	
6. Property Taxes and Yield Taxes – Previous Years	• • • • •	•	781,304.05	
7. Resident Taxes – Previous Years	• • • • •	•	2,680.00	
8. Poll Taxes _____ State Head Taxes _____ Previous Years	• • • • •	•		
9. Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	• • • • •	•	24,304.53	
10. Penalties: Resident Taxes _____ State Head Taxes _____	• • • • •	•	355.35	
11. Tax sales redeemed	• • • • •	•	60,454.76	
<b>From State:</b>			4,654,823.54	
12. For Highways and Bridges:	• • • • •	•		
(a) For Town Road Aid	• • • • •	•		
(b) For Class V Highway maintenance	• • • • •	•		
(c) For State Aid Construction	• • • • •	•		
(d) Highway Subsidy	• • • • •	•	57,976.15	
13. Interest and dividends tax	• • • • •	•	77,435.56	
14. Railroad tax	• • • • •	•		
15. Savings Bank Tax	• • • • •	•		
16. Reimbursement a-c State and Federal forest lands	• • • • •	•	14,835.54	
17. State Aid For Flood Control Land and Water Pollution Projects	• • • • •	•	17.93	
18. Reimbursement a-c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	• • • • •	•		
19. National forest reserve	• • • • •	•		
20. Fighting forest fires	• • • • •	•	45.28	
21. Reimbursement a-c Motor Vehicle Road Toll	• • • • •	•		
22. Reimbursement a-c Old Age Assistance	• • • • •	•	4,893.57	
23. Meals and Rooms Tax	• • • • •	•	73,176.41	
24. Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	• • • • •	•	25,447.64	
25. All Other Receipts from State (Attach Schedule)	• • • • •	•	4,051.20	
<b>From Local Sources, Except Taxes:</b>				
26. Dog Licenses	• • • • •	•	6,539.98	
27. Business licenses, permits and filing fees	• • • • •	•	64.00	
28. Fines and forfeits, municipal & District Court	• • • • •	•	220.00	
29. Rent of town property	• • • • •	•	6,987.60	
30. Interest received on deposits	• • • • •	•	32,820.07	
31. Income from trust funds	• • • • •	•	5,777.05	
32. Income from departments	• • • • •	•	54,382.92	
33. Income from parking meters	• • • • •	•		
34. Income from municipal water, sewer and electric departments	• • • • •	•		
35. Motor vehicle permits (1978 \$ _____ )	• • • • •	•	209,635.50	
<b>Total Current Revenue Receipts (Carried forward to page 6)</b>	• • • • •	•	5,229,129.94	

Note: DO NOT ALTER THE CLASSIFICATIONS PRINTED IN THIS SECTION (PAGES 4, 5, 6, 7); CLASSIFY TOWN'S SOURCES OF REVENUE OR CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURES (See Instructions)

# CLASSIFICATION

## PAYMENTS


For the Year Ended December 31, 1978 June 30, 1979

### PAYMENTS

<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>				
<b>General Government:</b>				
1. Town officers' salaries	26,980	11	• • • • •	•
2. Town officers' expenses	51,571	89	• • • • •	•
3. Election and registration expenses	2,325	45	• • • • •	•
4. Municipal and District Court expenses			• • • • •	•
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	23,049	75	• • • • •	•
6. Reappraisal of Property			• • • • •	•
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>				
7. Police department	166,713	81	• • • • •	•
8. Parking Meters – Operation and Maintenance			• • • • •	•
9. Fire department, including forest fires	60,300	26	• • • • •	•
10. Moth extermination – Blister Rust and Care of Trees	1,937	00	• • • • •	•
11. Planning and Zoning	49,352	19	• • • • •	•
12. Damage by dogs	4,626	78	• • • • •	•
13. Insurance	63,194	83	• • • • •	•
14. Civil Defense	1,454	07	• • • • •	•
15. Conservation Commission	668	31	• • • • •	•
<b>Health:</b>	19,667	51		
16. Health department, including hospitals & ambulance			• • • • •	•
17. Vital statistics			• • • • •	•
18. Sewer maintenance (Including Sewer Disposal Facilities Operation)			• • • • •	•
19. Town dumps and garbage removal	56,137	07	• • • • •	•
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
20. Town Road Aid	2,206	11	• • • • •	•
21. Town Maintenance (Summer-\$ ) (Winter-\$ )	313,559	55	• • • • •	•
22. Street lighting	7,143	44	• • • • •	•
23. General Expenses of Highway Department	41,413	73	• • • • •	•
<b>Libraries:</b>				
24. Libraries	57,982	91	• • • • •	•
<b>Public Welfare:</b>				
25. Old age assistance	5,187	78	• • • • •	•
26. Town poor	3,702	33	• • • • •	•
27. Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled	0	00	• • • • •	•
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>				
28. Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day	2,033	39	• • • • •	•
<b>Recreation:</b>				
29. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	42,753	57	• • • • •	•
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>				
30. Municipal water and electric departments	120	00	• • • • •	•
31. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	9,120	76	• • • • •	•
32. Airports			• • • • •	•
<b>Unclassified:</b>				
33. Damages and legal expenses	12,911	91	• • • • •	•


ALL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES UNDER DESIGNATIONS WHICH MOST CLOSELY DESCRIBE THE 1,026,114.51

RECEIPTS AND

Total receipts brought forward from page 4	• • • • • •		5,229,129	94
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:			• • • • • •	•
36. Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	150,000	00	• • • • • •	•
37. Proceeds of Long Term Notes			• • • • • •	•
38. Proceeds of Bond Issues			• • • • • •	•
39. Insurance adjustments	5,578	41	• • • • • •	•
40. Refunds			• • • • • •	•
41. Gifts	400	00	• • • • • •	•
42. New Trust Funds received during year			• • • • • •	•
43. Payments in Lieu of Taxes	822	51	• • • • • •	•
44. Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	45,974	24	• • • • • •	•
45. Sale of town property	650	00	• • • • • •	•
46. Yield Tax Security Deposits	1,950	00	• • • • • •	•
47. Assessments for Water, Sewer and Sidewalk Construction			• • • • • •	•
48. Premiums on Bonds Sold			• • • • • •	•
49. Accrued Interest on Bonds Sold			• • • • • •	•
50. Grants from U. S. A.			• • • • • •	•
(a) Revenue Sharing	48,917	00	• • • • • •	•
(b) Interest on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	2,756	16	• • • • • •	•
(c) Water Pollution Aid a-c Sewer Construction			• • • • • •	•
(d) Law Enforcement Assistance Act			• • • • • •	•
(Governor's Commission on Crime & Delinquency)	796	30	• • • • • •	•
(e) Emergency Employment Act			• • • • • •	•
(f) Recreation Grants	15,053	25	• • • • • •	•
(g) All Other Grants from U. S. A. (Attach Schedule)Hgw. Safety	11,481	24	• • • • • •	•
51. Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of Bond Issues			• • • • • •	•
52. Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of Long Term Notes			• • • • • •	•
53. Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of Federal Aid			• • • • • •	•
54. Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of State Aid			• • • • • •	•
55. All Other Receipts (Attach Schedule)			• • • • • •	•
CETA	21,883	68		
LandFill Expense Recovery	1,979	50		
Transfer from Payroll Account - Travelers	479	11		
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	• • • • • •	•		
Gas Inventory Used	2,223	43		
Deposits Special Savings	7,267	76		
Abatement Returned	388	54		
	• • • • • •	•	5,547,551	17
Total Receipts from All Sources	• • • • • •	•		
Cash on hand January 1, 1978 - (July 1, 1978)	• • • • • •	•	1,199,936	62
This  Grand Total	• • • • • •	•		
			6,747,487	79



PAYMENTS – (Continued)

	1,026,114	51		
<b>Unclassified: (Continued)</b>				
34. Advertising and Regional Associations			• • • • •	•
35. Taxes bought by town	99,001	30	• • • • •	•
36. Discounts, Abatements and refunds	10,662	85	• • • • •	•
37. Employees' Retirement and Social Security	27,116	16	• • • • •	•
38. Payments to trustees of trust funds (New Trust Funds)	7,685	00	• • • • •	•
39. All Other Current Maintenance Expenses (Attach Schedule)	8,582	32		
<b>Total Current Maintenance Expenses</b>	• • • • •	•		
<b>Debt Service:</b>				
<b>Interest on Debt:</b>			• • • • •	•
40. Paid on tax anticipation notes	1,034	08	• • • • •	•
41. Paid on long term notes	677	84	• • • • •	•
42. Paid on bonded debt			• • • • •	•
<b>Total Interest Payments</b>	• • • • •	•		
<b>Principal of Debt:</b>				
43. Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	150,000	00	• • • • •	•
44. Payments on long term notes	11,297	47	• • • • •	•
45. Payments on bonded debt			• • • • •	•
<b>Total Principal Payments</b>	• • • • •	•		
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>				
46. Highways and Bridges – State Aid construction			• • • • •	•
47. Highways and Bridges – Town construction			• • • • •	•
48. Water Works construction			• • • • •	•
49. Electric line construction			• • • • •	•
50. Sidewalk construction			• • • • •	•
51. Sewer construction, Including Sewage Treatment Plants			• • • • •	•
52. Lands and buildings (Airports-\$ ) (Other-\$ )	55,000	00	• • • • •	•
53. New equipment (Highway-\$ ) (Other-\$ )	83,621	27	• • • • •	•
54. Parking Meters and Parking Lots			• • • • •	•
55. Payments to capital reserve funds	39,625	00	• • • • •	•
56. Tax Maps	1,610	81	• • • • •	•
<b>Total Outlay Payments</b>	• • • • •	•		
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>				
57. Resident Taxes Paid State Treasurer			• • • • •	•
58. Payments to State a-c 2% Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes			• • • • •	•
59. Taxes paid to County	184,930	00	• • • • •	•
60. Payments to Precincts	3,148	44	• • • • •	•
61. Payments to School Districts (1977 Tax \$ ) (1978 Tax \$ )	3,287,603	74	• • • • •	•
<b>Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions</b>	• • • • •	•		
<b>Total Payments for all Purposes</b>	• • • • •	•	4,997,710	79
Cash on hand December 31, 1978 – (June 30, 1979)	• • • • •	•	1,749,777	00
<b>Should equal</b>  <b>this Grand Total</b>	• • • • •	•	6,747,487	79



# Detailed Statement of Payments

## Town Officers' Salaries

Gross Appropriation	\$26,580.00
Accounts Payable	525.00
	<u>\$27,105.00</u>

Expended:	\$27,105.11
Accounts Recv. 1978	-125.00
	<u>\$26,980.11</u>

## Town Office Expense

Gross Appropriation	\$52,771.00
Accounts Payable 1978	304.68
Department Income	394.90
	<u>\$53,470.58</u>

Expended:	\$48,411.89
Accounts Payable 1979	3,715.00
	<u>\$52,126.89</u>

## Brick School

Gross Appropriation	\$ 7,594.00
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Expended:	\$ 6,135.54
Accounts Payable 1979	290.00
	<u>\$ 6,425.54</u>

## Town Hall

Gross Appropriation	\$16,449.00
Gifts	400.00
Income	317.20
Total Available	<u>\$17,166.20</u>

Expended:	\$16,914.21
Accounts Payable 1979	80.00
	<u>\$16,994.21</u>

## Elections and Registrations

Gross Appropriation	\$ 4,900.00
Accounts Payable	20.50
Sale of Checklist	65.30
Total Available	<u>\$ 4,985.80</u>

Expended:	\$ 2,325.45
Accounts Payable	6.61
	<u>\$ 2,332.06</u>

## Legal

Gross Appropriation	\$15,000.00
Accounts Payable	934.25
Total Available	<u>\$15,934.25</u>

Expended:	\$12,911.91
Accounts Payable	2,397.10
	<u>\$15,309.01</u>

	<u>Insurance</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$66,311.00	
Income	1,789.00	
Private Police Duty	879.00	
	<u>\$68,979.00</u>	
Expended:		\$63,194.83
	<u>Mapping and Survey</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00	
Accounts Payable	573.00	
Income to Department	80.25	
	<u>\$ 3,653.25</u>	
Expended:		\$ 1,610.81
	<u>N.H. Retirement</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 7,115.00	
Expended:		\$ 6,258.20
Less Accounts Recv. 1978		-85.07
		<u>\$ 6,173.13</u>
	<u>Social Security</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$18,780.00	
Income	1,142.57	
	<u>\$19,922.57</u>	
Expended:		\$15,169.07
	<u>Employee Retirement</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 5,275.00	
Income	394.04	
	<u>\$ 5,669.04</u>	
Expended:		\$ 5,773.96
	<u>Police</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$147,604.00	
Income	8,522.12	
	<u>\$156,126.12</u>	
Expended:		\$153,714.60
	<u>Fire Department</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$59,895.00	
Accounts Payable	421.69	
Income	45.28	
Total Available	<u>\$60,361.97</u>	
Expended:		\$60,300.26
Accounts Payable		9.94
		<u>\$60,310.20</u>
	<u>Street Lighting</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 6,250.00	
Expended:		\$ 7,143.44

Gross Appropriation	<u>Dog Control</u>	\$ 6,410.00
Expended:		\$ 4,626.78
Gross Appropriation:	<u>Civil Defense</u>	\$ 1,450.00
Expended:		\$ 1,454.07
Gross Appropriation	<u>Ambulance</u>	\$12,340.00
Accounts Payable		231.88
Income		486.02
		<u>\$13,057.90</u>
Expended:		\$12,034.76
Accounts Payable		293.35
		<u>\$12,328.11</u>
Gross Appropriation	<u>Communication Center</u>	\$13,090.00
Expended:		\$12,999.21
Gross Appropriation	<u>Health Department</u>	\$ 2,400.00
Expended:		\$ 2,748.75
Gross Appropriation	<u>Land Fill</u>	\$45,442.20
Expended:		\$45,442.40
Gross Appropriation	<u>Souhegan Nursing</u>	\$ 3,500.00
Expended:		\$ 3,500.00
Appropriation	<u>Nashua Mental Health</u>	\$ 1,384.00
Expended:		\$ 1,384.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>General Expense Highway</u>	\$32,678.00
Accounts Payable		5,778.32
Income Budget		394.55
		<u>\$38,850.87</u>
Expended:		\$41,413.73
Gross Appropriation	<u>Land Fill Expenses</u>	\$11,350.00
Expended:		\$10,694.67

Gross Appropriation	<u>Oiling</u>	\$58,025.00	
Expended:			\$58,050.76
Gross Appropriation	<u>Summer Maintenance</u>	\$54,146.00	
Income		369.13	
		<u>\$54,515.13</u>	
Expended:			\$53,789.42
Gross Appropriation	<u>Winter Maintenance</u>	\$120,132.00	
Income		524.30	
		<u>\$120,656.30</u>	
Expended:			\$117,866.19
Accounts Payable			502.34
			<u>\$118,368.53</u>
Gross Appropriation	<u>Road Improvement</u>	\$13,450.00	
Expended:			\$13,450.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Parks</u>	\$ 8,250.00	
Income		75.00	
		<u>\$ 8,325.00</u>	
Expended:			\$ 8,106.78
Gross Appropriation	<u>Cemeteries</u>	\$ 9,320.00	
Expended:			\$ 9,120.76
Due from 1977	<u>CETA</u>	\$ 2,279.80	
Expended 1978		11,538.59	
Total		<u>\$13,818.37</u>	
Received from CETA		\$11,556.80	
Gross Appropriation	<u>Town Road Aid</u>	\$ 2,206.11	
Expended:			\$ 2,206.11
Gross Appropriation	<u>Highway Subsidy</u>	\$58,616.22	
Expended:			\$58,864.59
Gross Appropriation	<u>Grader Fund</u>	\$ 8,500.00	

Expended: \$ 8,500.00

Gross Appropriation Truck Reserve  
\$15,000.00

Expended: \$15,000.00

Gross Appropriation Equipment Reserve  
\$16,125.00

Expended: \$16,125.00

Gross Appropriation Town Poor  
\$10,000.00  
Accounts Payable 185.80  
Recovery 100.00  
\$10,285.80

Expended: \$ 3,702.33

Gross Appropriation Soldiers Aid  
\$ 500.00

Expended: \$ 0.00

Gross Appropriation Old Age Assistance  
\$ 7,500.00

Expended: \$ 5,187.78

Gross Appropriation Recreation  
\$19,440.00  
Income 2,454.50  
Accounts Payable 272.85  
\$22,167.35

Expended: \$19,997.58  
Accounts Payable 1979 638.13  
\$20,635.71

Gross Appropriation Conservation  
\$ 1,365.00

Expended: \$ 668.31  
Accounts Payable 146.34  
\$ 814.65

Gross Appropriation Tree Committee  
\$ 2,800.00

Expended: \$ 1,937.00

Gross Appropriation Baboosic  
\$14,795.00  
Accounts Payable 465.76  
Income 798.74  
\$16,059.50

Expended:		\$11,612.46
Accounts Payable 1979		<u>151.53</u>
		\$11,763.99
	<u>Adult Education</u>	
Encumbered Funds 1978	\$ 959.14	
Income	<u>2,846.50</u>	
	\$ 3,804.64	
Expended:		\$ 2,655.75
Balance Forward to Special Account		<u>\$ 1,148.89</u>
		\$ 3,804.64
	<u>Interest</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00	
Expended:		\$ 1,711.92
	<u>Libraries</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$57,589.48	
Insurance Income	<u>949.20</u>	
	\$58,538.68	
Expended:		\$57,982.91
Accounts Payable		<u>555.77</u>
		\$58,538.68
	<u>Hydrant Rental</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 1,875.00	
Expended:		\$ 120.00
Accounts Payable		<u>1,755.00</u>
		\$1,875.00
	<u>Memorial Day</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 600.00	
Expended:		\$ 536.00
	<u>Fourth of July</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 1,600.00	
Expended:		\$ 1,497.39
Accounts Payable		<u>102.61</u>
		\$ 1,600.00
	<u>Planning Board</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 8,392.00	
Expended:		\$ 5,129.82
	<u>Board of Adjustment</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 1,825.00	
Expended:		\$ 2,127.65



	<u>Zoning Department</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$31,290.00	
Expended:		\$31,819.04
	<u>Nashua Regional Planning</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 2,080.00	
Expended:		\$ 2,080.00
	<u>Contingency</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 9,000.00	
Accounts Payable	1,200.00	
	<u>\$10,200.00</u>	
Expended:		\$ 3,176.75
Accounts Payable		750.00
		<u>\$ 3,926.75</u>
	<u>Refunds</u>	
Expended:		\$10,662.85
	<u>Master Planning</u>	
Appropriation Forward	\$ 3,195.68	
Expended:		\$ 3,195.68
	<u>Cruiser</u>	
Appropriation Forward	\$ 6,297.70	
Income	250.00	
	<u>\$ 6,447.70</u>	
Expended:		\$ 5,659.54
Balance returned to Revenue Sharing		
	<u>Auditors</u>	
Appropriation Forward	\$ 3,100.00	
Income	45.00	
	<u>\$ 3,145.00</u>	
Expended:		\$ 3,160.00
	<u>Bridge</u>	
Appropriation Forward	\$ 7,695.39	
Expended:		\$ 0.00
Appropriation Forward		
	<u>Fire Truck</u>	
Appropriation Forward	\$22,366.73	
Expended:		\$22,366.73

Gross Appropriation	<u>Ambulance</u>	\$30,000.00	
Expended:			\$30,000.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Cruiser</u>	\$ 6,000.00	
Expended:			\$ 0.00
Appropriation Forward			
Gross Appropriation	<u>Police/Rescue</u>	\$35,000.00	
Expended:			\$25,595.00
Balance Forward			<u>9,405.00</u>
			\$35,000.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Master Plan</u>	\$ 5,000.00	
Expended:			\$ 5,000.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Conservation Land</u>	\$25,000.00	
From Land Savings		30,000.00	
		<u>\$55,000.00</u>	
Expended:			\$55,000.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Wilkins Field</u>	\$25,000.00	
Expended:			0.00
Appropriation Forward			
Gross Appropriation	<u>Land Fill Property</u>	\$11,297.37	
Expended:			\$11,297.47
1978 Sale	<u>Tax Sale Expense</u>		\$99,001.30
Expended Souhegan National Bank	<u>Tax Anticipation Note</u>		\$150,000.00
Expended:	<u>Taxes Paid To the County</u>		\$184,930.00
Expended:	<u>Taxes Paid to Village District</u>		\$ 3,148.44

Taxes Paid to School District

1977	\$1,931,815.47
1978	<u>1,355,788.27</u>
	\$3,287,603.74

All Other Payments

Closed Koster Account - Tax Collector	\$ 264.34
Closed Zolkos Account - Tax Collector	142.28
Tax Collector	2,265.50
Audubon Payment	50.00
State Liquor Permit	1.00
Tennis Instructor Pay	2,614.50
Heart Saver Payment	67.50

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

For the benefit of the new residents of Amherst, your Highway Garage is located on Dodge Road. This office is open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Our work day is from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. During serious storms, we try to have one of our personnel answering telephone calls at 673-2317. Your Road Agent's home telephone is 673-1293. There are eight regular employees consisting of one road agent, heavy equipment operators, light equipment operators and laborers. In addition, we have had two Ceta Funded employees, one for 10 months and one for 5 months. During the summer we had one employee funded under the College Work Study Program of the University of New Hampshire. In addition, two high school boys were hired part time for the summer. Major equipment owned by the Town includes one grader, one tractor-loader-mower combination, three five-ton trucks, one one-ton truck and one 4 x 4 which we received from Civil Defense. Our responsibilities are approximately 109 miles of road, care of the Town Commons, all playgrounds, all outside maintenance of four school yards, four cemeteries and some work at the Landfill.

The following is a summarized report of this department's activities during 1978:

Winter Maintenance - Appropriation \$120,132.00

The Winter Maintenance program covers all the Highway Department work from mid-November to mid-March. All road clearing, due to snow and ice (24 storms) is charged to this account. We have one Town grader, one Town tractor, five Town trucks and eight hired trucks with plows which we use for clearing and maintaining our roads. We have tried to give special attention to school bus routes and areas where children walk to school or wait for buses. We handle the snow removal from both the Wilkins and Clark Schools, both Fire Stations, Library, Old Brick School and Town Hall as well as some sidewalks in the Village.

Under this account we also cut trees and brush in areas where future construction is contemplated. During the winter of 1977-78 brush and trees were cut and chipped on Pine Top Road, Christian Hill Road, Lyndeboro Road, Boston Post Road North, Chestnut Hill Road, Pond Parrish Road and Spring Road. Our chipper eliminates the cost of hauling the brush to the Landfill.

For ecological reasons, we have cut the amount of rock salt and increased the amount of sand on our roads. However, using this procedure does not give us a savings and actually takes longer before the roads are safe for travel. This method of ice control requires more clean-up time in the Spring than salt. In order to make this program work, it is necessary that we have the cooperation of the residents via the reduction of speed while operating their vehicles on our town roads.

Summer Maintenance - Appropriation \$54,146.00

All general maintenance from mid-March to December 1 is covered under this account. This includes the grading and

use of the York rake on 34 gravel roads several times, cutting banks and ditches, spot graveling, maintenance and replacement of culverts, setting posts, signs on all roads, maintenance of shoulders throughout the black road system and the machine and hand cutting of brush in the summer.

In 1978 we spot graveled Fellows Farm Road, Lyndeboro Road, Old Milford Road, Pond Parrish Road and Old Manchester Road. Two catch basins and culvert were installed on Boston Post Road, South. Culvert work was done on Fellows Farm Road, installation of a new culvert on New South Drive, replacement of large culverts on School House Road and Old Lyndeborough Road. On Walnut Hill Road we replaced a double culvert as well as installed a catch basin and culvert. 400 feet of Wolf Road was also rebuilt under this account.

Brush was both hand and machine cut on Old Manchester Road, Spring Road, Old Milford Road, Boston Post Road South, Rocky Hill Road and Route 122, Old Lyndeborough Road, North Street, Nichols Road and Veterans Road as well as many corners and intersections.

Many hours were spent replacing street signs. In the Fall, approximately four weeks are spent cleaning out ditches and culverts and removing large stones from under the roadways in various parts of Amherst.

Oiling - Appropriation \$58,025.00

The cost of asphalt alone for resurfacing of roads in 1978 was \$41,187.08. These roads were: Baboosic Lake Road, Border Street, Souhegan Street, Bloody Brook Road, Old Lyndeborough Road, Brimstone Hill Road, Airline Drive, Blueberry Hill Road, Bayberry Drive, Laurel Lane, Boston Post Road North, Christian Hill Road, Foundry Street, Eaton Road, Green Road, Douglas Drive, Eastern Avenue, Hickory Drive, Maple Drive, Juniper Lane, New Boston Road, North Street, Old Milford Road, Old Mont Vernon Road, River Road, Chestnut Hill, Nichols Road, Pavillion Road, east end of Walnut Hill Road.

The cost of patching all black roads and sweeping of all roads to be reoiled is covered under this oiling appropriation. 5,800 gallons of waste oil were applied to gravel roads where dust is a problem.

Town Road Aid - Appropriation \$16,913.52

T.R.A. is a program started by the State in 1947 to help towns improve their roads. 85% of the cost is State funded and the 15% is raised by the town. This program is jointly supervised by the State and the Road Agent. In 1978 we rebuilt 1400 feet of Chestnut Hill Road from Vatcher's property north under this program.

Gas Subsidy - Appropriation \$58,616.22

In 1971 the State initiated a program to help towns improve and care for their roads. The money for this account is entirely paid for by the State. During 1978 we rebuilt 1000 ft. of Old Lyndeborough Road from the junction of Christian Hill Road east; 1200 ft. of Old Milford Road from the junction of Miles Road, south; some drainage work on Christian Hill Road; part of Chestnut Hill Road, preliminary work on Old Manchester Road; 1000 ft. of Nichols Road and we finished Front Street at the Lake.

Road Improvement - Appropriation \$13,450.00

Under this account \$10,450.00 was spent for asphalt in the

shimming of Old Lyndeborough Road, Foundry Street, Davis Lane, Carriage Road, Christian Hill Road, Boston Post Road North. It should be noted that inasmuch as there will be a large amount of shimming required in the village reference the water lines, we have asked for financial assistance from the Amherst Water District for this work.

Parks and Playgrounds - Appropriation \$8,250.00

The money appropriated under this account is expended on the maintenance of the Town Commons, two playgrounds, the Old Brick School Yard, Wilkins and Clark School grounds, and some work at the Library. The work involved is the raking and gathering of leaves, mowing and trimming of the grass, maintenance of the park fences and the constant picking up of papers from the lawns. In addition, in 1978 we spent quite a while at Middle School putting down barch mulch around the trees. Town trash barrels are placed on the Commons and schools during the summer and have helped in keeping our village picked up. We appreciate the cooperation of those using the park areas in disposing of their trash in the barrels.

Cemeteries - \$9,320.00

The money in this account is spent to maintain four cemeteries in Amherst: Meadowview, the Old Cemetery behind Town Hall, Cricket Corner and Chestnut Hill. In addition to the regular raking, trimming and mowing of all cemeteries, we have continued our program of resetting all the stones in the older cemeteries, which will continue in 1979. We have also loamed and seeded many areas of Meadowview Cemetery. During 1978 we made 26 burials in Meadowview Cemetery, 1 in Cricket Corner Cemetery and 1 in Chestnut Hill Cemetery.

I would like you, the taxpayer, to know that your Highway Department is making every effort to give you good service as well as keeping the cost of our operation down. With this in mind, we have submitted a budget for 1979 with a 2% overall increase.

In closing, I would like to thank the Selectmen and the Road Commission for their help and guidance during 1978, and to the taxpayers of Amherst in supporting the Department's projects. We appreciate receiving your comments and suggestions on how your Highway Department can better serve you.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. CROCKER, Highway Agent

## Amherst Fire Department

### Annual Report - 1978

The Department responded to 121 calls during the year of which four (4) were major structure fires, as compared to 144 calls last year with four (4) major.

Of prime concern to the fire wards this year is the ever increasing installation of wood stoves. After proper installation, there is the burning of the right kind of wood and the care and maintenance of your chimney.

Valuable information, literature and an inspection can readily be obtained by a phone call to the Fire Chief or either of his assistants.

#### AMHERST FIRE CALLS

Tractor Fire	1	Oil Burner	2
Car Accident	2	Miscellaneous	15
Structure (Minor)	4	Car Fire	5
Structure (Major)	4	Stove	4
Brush	19	Gas Wash	6
Grass	5	False Alarm	12
Truck Fire	2	Electrical	3
Chimney	16	Trash	1
Smoke Investigation	4	Still Alarm	2
Oven	2		

Mutual aid was received 5 times and supplied 12 times out of town.

The Amherst Fire Department is composed of four engine companies which man and equip 2 stations - our Central Station in the Village and the South Station on Stearns Road. Listed below are the Stations, their equipment and officers.

#### CENTRAL STATION

Engine One:

Captain David Hanlon  
Lt. Marty Champagne

Engine Two:

Captain David Sliney  
Lt. James Lawson

Engine Three:

Captain Mike Riccitelli  
Lt. Art McKenney

Engine Four:

1977 International 4 wheel drive brush truck

Tanker One:

A military vehicle which has the water capacity of 2,000 gallons.

SOUTH STATION

Engine Five:

Captain Fred Yunggebauer  
Lt. Willis Maloon

Tanker Two:

Same as tanker one at Central Station

Van:

1972 vehicle which is equipped with a cascade system  
and other equipment.

To report a fire, dial 673-3131. This is the number of the Communications Center which handles all fire calls for Amherst 24 hours a day. Please give property owner's name, the street name, and the town when reporting a fire.

A combined drill with all companies is held the first Monday of each month. Each company holds a practice drill on one of the following Mondays of that month with a fire ward in attendance.

The Wards wish to thank members of the four engine companies for all their time and efforts in 1978. Also, our thanks to the Selectmen, Barbara Landry, and the people of Amherst for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL STRICKLAND, Chief  
RICHARD CROCKER, 1st Assistant Chief  
DAVID HERLIHY, JR., 2nd Assistant Chief



## Fire Prevention Bureau

### Annual Report

During the year members of the Bureau conducted twenty-eight inspections of businesses, schools, nursery schools, and town buildings. Fourteen sets of plans were reviewed to insure compliance with the life safety code. In addition twenty-seven inspections or requests for information were handled concerning wood stove installation, fireplaces or chimneys. This type inspection is done at the request of the owner as are home inspections.

Again this year the Amherst Bank and Trust Company sponsored the "Captain No Burn" program. The Bureau presents this program to students in the second grade during Fire Prevention Week. A specially produced Walt Disney film is shown to the first grade students.

One fire extinguisher course was presented to Middle School students this year. Members of the Bureau participated in two baby sitters courses given at the Middle School.

Because of the great increase in the number of wood stoves being installed in town the Bureau obtained a slide show entitled "The Pitfalls of Heating With Wood". This show has been shown twice and is available to any group or individual who wishes to see it. This is an especially appropriate program when one considers the grave hazard of an improperly installed wood stove.

Members of the Bureau are: William Alger, Peter Anderson, Bruce Bowler, Richard Heineke, Arthur McKinney, John Moorhouse, Walter Nelson, Tim Pullar and Michael Riccitelli.

The Bureau would like to thank all those who have worked and assisted the Bureau in its activities particularly the town officials and the Fire Wards.

MICHAEL RICCITELLI, Chairman

BRUCE BOWLER, Secretary

# AMHERST POLICE DEPARTMENT

1978

## Police Roster

Chief John T. Osborn, Jr.

Sgt. Steven C. Sexton

Officer Gary MacGuire

Officer Richard Dolan

Officer Harold Wheeler

Officer Steven Kemp

Officer Michael White

## Special Officers

Suzanne Alger

Albert Junkins

Nancy Demers

Nancy Holland

Patrick Doherty

Robert McHatton

William York

1978 Summer Cadet: Peter Lyon

Resigned during 1978:

Officer David Bode

Officer Mark Coro

Special Officer Joseph Beaudoin

## Incidents Reported to Police in 1978:

5	Abandoned Vehicles	4	Lost Property
220	Accidents	20	Lost or stolen plates
378	Alarms	138	Medical Assistance
207	Arrests	1051	Misc. Incidents
7	Assaults	32	Miss. Persons/Attempt to Locate
165	Assist Motorists	114	Motor Vehicle complaints
4	Bad Checks	221	Mutual Aid
1	Bomb Threat	3	Noise Complaints
40	Burglaries	31	Nuisance Phone Calls
185	Criminal Mischief	2	OHRV complaints
30	Criminal Trespass	322	Open Doors/Windows
1	Criminal Restraint	103	Pistol Permit Applic.
2	Criminal Threatening	3	Possessed property
6	Death Reports	13	Prowlers
11	Disabled Vehicles	3	Recovered Stolen Veh.
1	Discharge of Firearms	1	Robbery
3	Disorderly Conduct	1	Shooting
18	Disturbances	23	Stray Livestock
599	Dog complaints	114	Susp. persons/vehicles
75	Fire Calls	131	Thefts
98	Found property	18	Towed motor vehicles
132	Juvenile Detentions	187	Transfers (Blood, people, etc.)

## 4723 Incidents Reported in 1978

4371 Incidents in 1977

2058 Incidents in 1974

3593 Incidents in 1976

1064 Incidents in 1973

2737 Incidents in 1975

716 Incidents in 1972

Our endeavor is to provide the best service and protection possible for the citizens of Amherst. To achieve this goal, Amherst officers attended a total of 9 weeks specialized training plus numerous seminars. Utilization of this training has resulted in the implementation of new programs and improvement of existing ones.

A crime prevention program, headed by Officer MacGuire, emphasizing safeguard measures which should be taken to protect property has been presented to numerous civic groups. Inspections of business establishments and private homes, upon request, are conducted and a written report identifying security hazards and recommendations are provided.

Snowmobile enthusiasts had the opportunity of attending a six week Snowmobile Safety Course conducted by Officer Dolan, a certified OHRV instructor and the N.H. Fish and Game Department. This course consisted of preventative maintenance, safe, proper operation and the laws of N.H. Certificates are to be awarded as soon as Mother Nature provides enough snow so the practical examination can be given. If sufficient interest is indicated, a similar program for trail bikes may be developed.

Our Officer Bill program continues to promote rapport between the department and youth of the community. With the cooperation of Infantine Insurance, Inc. and Risk Management, Inc., both of Amherst, two new safety films were procured and will be included in the curriculum.

Growth necessitates my request for one additional full time officer. With the increase of industrial and business establishments as well as private residences a second officer on midnight shifts is required. It is physically impossible for one officer to check municipal, commercial and industrial property and also patrol residential areas. If an arrest is made, the Town is unprotected until the subject is released. The safety and well-being of the officer is also a prime consideration for this request.

Unfortunately, as requirements and activity increase so do facility requirements. The existing quarters are inadequate and at best tolerable. Expansion capabilities of the present location are non-existent. Therefore favorable consideration and support is requested for the Police/Rescue/Civil Preparedness facility.

Your support in the past is appreciated and we will continue to develop a force of which you can be proud.

JOHN T. OSBORN, JR., Chief of Police

## Highway Safety Committee

The Amherst Highway Safety Committee consists of the following members:

John T. Osborn, Jr. - Chief of Police  
Marshall Strickland - Fire Chief  
Gustav Just - Chief of Rescue Squad  
Richard Crocker - Road Agent  
Roy Maston - Civil Preparedness Director  
Bert McGill - Selectman  
Robert H. Prew - Citizen  
Joseph H. S. Hoag - School Board Member

The Highway Safety Committee was instrumental in the installation of three street lights for illuminating hazardous intersections in Town:

1. Route 101-A at Truell Road intersection
2. Route 101 at Blueberry Hill Road intersection
3. Boston Post Road at Cross Road intersection

The highlight of the year was the prodding which resulted in the public hearings for the redesign project of the intersection of Routes 101-A and 122.

JOHN T. OSBORN, JR., Chairman

## Dog Officer's Report

At the end of 1978, there were 1,349 licensed dogs in Amherst. A total of 599 complaints were handled, which was an increase from 382 the previous year. The complaints most frequently received are of dogs getting into trash, bothering others that are tied, and barking dogs. Another problem has been with dogs chasing deer and domestic animals (i.e. cows, pigs, chicken, geese, etc.). The owners of these dogs caught in the act of maiming or killing these animals are liable for veterinarian costs or the cost of the loss of the animal.

Many people think that their family pet could never be a problem to anyone, however, many of these dogs are the same ones that are causing their neighbors problems.

18 Dogs reported struck and killed by automobiles

16 Persons reported bitten by dogs

88 Dogs impounded (unlicensed or not wearing tags)

A total of 90 summonses were issued in 1978. All but 5 that were issued for unlicensed dogs, were for unrestrained dogs whose owners were in violation of the Town ordinance.

Under the Town ordinance all dogs must be under control, either physical or verbal, at all times. If this type of control was maintained, the number of complaints would drop dramatically.

NANCY DEMERS, Dog Officer

## Tree Committee Report

This past year the tree committee continued to plant small ornamental and native varieties around the village. One major effort was web worm control on the crab trees which separate Carriage Road and Main Street. This program was very successful and will be continued as long as web worms are a problem. We concentrated on pruning the small trees and general good tree maintenance. This year 13 elms and maples were cut down and the Highway Department removed the stumps to ground level.

Our big project in 1979 will be shade tree planting. Hopefully we can eliminate the salt problem by replacing the soil around newly planted trees. We plan to stake all new trees to protect them from damage.

We will continue the spraying program to reduce the danger of Dutch Elm disease, however, there are so few elms left in the village that it may not be economically feasible to spray in the future.

HOWARD PARKHURST - Chairman

BARBARA BERLACK

TERRY MAYO

## Amherst Conservation Commission

1978 was a year of satisfying accomplishment, frustrating problems, and great tragedy for the Conservation Commission.

After many years of effort and with the generous backing of the citizens of Amherst, we succeeded in purchasing the 80± acre lot #4 from Eddie Whitcomb. This acquisition connected, at long last, the Plumb Memorial Forest and the Joe English Reservation. Mr. Whitcomb also gave us 20 acres adjacent to the Plumb Memorial Forest. As a result, we now manage some 373 acres of Town protected open space in a major watershed and wildlife area. Our many trails provide hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, birdwatching and many other forms of outdoor recreation.

We continue to review many dredge and fill applications for the Town. It is unfortunate that our wetlands have to be continually eroded in this manner. We carefully assess each problem, attempting to find solutions that minimize the damage to the wetland and which are, at the same time, realistic and fair. We have also had several serious violations. These are very difficult to cope with because once a wetland has been damaged it is almost impossible to restore it. Perhaps court action by the Town would deter future violations.

The Conservation Commission has received a grant of \$1,500 from the Bean Foundation for technical assistance in the mapping of trails throughout the Town. In addition, the Bean Foundation has granted \$2,500 to the Commission for the purchase of sections of the old railroad right-of-way from Walnut Hill Road south to Baboosic Lake Road for future trail use.

Reservation as to the effectiveness of the Dutch Elm

disease treatment delayed any action, but after a complete study with experts it has been confirmed that it does work. Therefore, the program will get underway in the spring.

The Amherst Conservation Commission continues to sponsor Boy Scout Troop 22. The troop has had a busy year. They began this spring by building and locating about 50 bluebird houses.

This past fall, under the guidance of Wallace Warren, two scouts became involved in Eagle Scout projects on sections of conservation land at both ends of Amherst.

The Troop also undertook a very ambitious program of thinning out some of the hardwood. Not only did they have a lesson in good forestry but they plan to sell about 8 or 9 cords of wood for future scout projects and to buy camping equipment.

The Amherst Gardeners continue to support your Conservation Commission. A very generous gift of \$700 was given the Commission in the Fall.

In September we were shocked and saddened by Herb Harding's sudden and untimely death. Herb was truly "Mr. Conservation" in Amherst. His love of nature was well-known and he practiced what he preached with his untiring dedication to conservation. He was a member of the first Conservation Commission and served the Town constantly until his death. He played a major part in every land acquisition from the Great Meadow to the Whitcomb land. It is, indeed, safe to say that without his efforts Joe English Brook Reservation would never have become a reality. All the trails in our Conservation lands were first laid out by Herb and every map was personally planned and drawn by him. The impact of his loss to the Commission is tremendous and will be felt for years. The personal loss to every member of the Commission both past and present is beyond words.

The connection of Joe English and the Plumb Forest was a project that was very dear to Herb. It was also his last so the Commission has dedicated that new land to his memory. It will be called the Herbert I. Harding Memorial Forest, or, more familiarly, "Herb's Woods." A first memorial trail has been laid out between the yellow trail in the Plumb Forest and the blue trail near Lookout Rock with a very large contribution of hard work by Chuck Bacon.

Memorial contributions amounting to some \$1,300 have been received by the Commission. We have voted to match these funds and to set up a trust fund with the interest to be used for an environmental education program.

The Commission is again requesting \$25,000 so that we may continue to acquire land as necessary to protect our natural resources and provide open space for the enjoyment of all our citizens.

ALICE E. ARNOLD, Chairman  
CHARLES TIEDEMANN, Vice-Chairman  
WILLIAM H. WEATHERBEE, Treasurer  
ELISABETH G. BARRETT, Secretary  
WILLIAM M. GOODWILL  
RICHARD G. KITCHEN  
WALLACE F. WARREN

Amherst Town Library  
Trustees' Report

The expansion within the library building has now been completed. The children's room with all its bright, new equipment was made possible by generous donors in the community; the individuals, Amherst businesses, and a grant from N.H. Charitable Fund. The Board of Trustees would like to thank all of the interested people who have given so much to make the library better, and more efficient. As a result, we have been able to expand our programs for the children with increased story hours, films, and new summer programs.

Our reference section also has been enlarged, and now has many new reference tools; telephone directories from other towns and cities, Dun and Bradstreet Million Dollar Directory, current New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, International Encyclopedia of Social Science, Directory of New England Manufacturers, and many other volumes.

The charge desk area also has been changed to much greater efficiency in the handling of books, and the requests of patrons.

Our expansion has taken every nook and cranny of available space, therefore the trustees regretfully had to decide that no public meetings can be held in the library, except small library-oriented ones at a time when the library would be closed.

We have added Mrs. Marjorie Johnson to our staff. She is a clerk-typist, and helps in other areas when needed. It has been determined by the Board that a clerk-typist was very much needed to keep up with the growing demands on our library.

This was a year of reorganization - aside from making use of space within, we also have brought all policies up to date, i.e. Book Selection, Personnel, and the General Policy.

The Board would like to thank the staff; Betty Watson, Marcia deSteuben, Cele Clough, Marian Williston, Sally Suomala, Jody Allen, Connie George, and our pages: Michelle Woolford, Natalie Brown, Cheryl Spargo, Joanne Ledger, Heather Wichman, Margaret Hoag for their continuing support and enthusiasm to make the library a warm, friendly place to work.

The Friends of the Library are an important part of a live, and functioning library. We urge more townspeople to join the Friends. They have purchased a film-strip projector, a soon-to-be-completed mural for the children's room, and for all patrons in good standing, a membership at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Any Amherst resident may borrow a ticket for admittance to the Museum, use of members' room, and free parking with ticket validation.

In October, the Friends opening membership coffee was held in the library. A panel of four local authors discussed their books - an interesting program which the library would like to continue when possible.

## Officers of the Friends:

Connie Woolford  
Mary Anderson  
Cathy d'Agostino  
Lonnie Haulenbeek  
Deede Scott  
Jean Pituck  
Sylvia Agler  
Barbara Hinman  
Laurie Gallagher  
Gerry Klein  
Jean Pituck  
Jean Lyon  
Helene Pierce  
Doreen Taylor

Chairman  
Vice-Chairman  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Book Sale  
Hospitality  
Publicity  
Membership  
Book Discussion  
Summer Reading  
Flowers  
Bake Sale  
Art  
Display

There are many residents of Amherst who have given gifts to the library this year. We are continually grateful to these people. We also wish to thank all the people who have given their time and expertise to make our job easier. We are remembered in many ways, such as in the will of Mr. William Morris - a bequest from his estate.

This year, we want to emphasize our reader participation program, and urge all patrons to use the request cards which are near the charge desk to let us know their choices for reading. All suggestions will be given consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH J. LYLE, Chairman  
E. DANIEL JOHNSON  
RYLAND COX  
LUCY RAMSAY  
JANICE SHETHAR  
JoANN JUST



Amherst Town Library  
Librarian's Report

Circulation Statistics for 1977:

Adult Fiction	21,394
Adult Non-Fiction	13,303
Juvenile	26,847
Magazines	6,645
Art Prints	30
Puzzles	230
Records	2,727
Inter-Library Loans	
(Borrowed from other libraries)	911
Loans to non-residents using	
the Statewide Library Card	839
Films	68
Pamphlets	376
Inter-Library Loans	
(Amherst loaned to other Libraries)	<u>285</u>
Grand Total	73,655

This total is a gain of 5,223 over last year's total circulation. 689 new patrons were registered in 1978, making a total of 4,846 registered patrons.

Book Collection:

We purchased 2,096 new books in 1978 and added an additional 307 through donations and memorial gifts. The breakdown of new books is:

Adult Fiction	674
Adult Non-Fiction	961
Juvenile Fiction, including Picture Books	410
Juvenile Non-Fiction	<u>358</u>

Total Added                      2,403

476 books were withdrawn from the collection due to obsolescence, loss, damage or wear. Our book collection now stands at:

Adult	14,319
Juvenile	<u>6,318</u>

Total                      20,637

Magazines:

New magazines subscribed to for 1979 include Flying, Motor Boating and Sailing, Runner's World, Travel (incorporating Holiday) and Yachting, a total of 78 periodical subscriptions. We also receive as gifts or purchase locally 32 additional magazines, making a total of 110 magazine titles.

### Recordings:

	Disc	Tape
Adult	338	9
Juvenile	<u>102</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	440	9

### Children's Room Activities:

The big move to the new Children's Room took place April 1st. Boy and Girl Scouts helped pack, carry and re-shelve box after box of books, and the entire move to the former Meeting Room was completed in one Saturday.

#### Pre-School Story Hours:

Our new Children's Librarian, Marcia deSteuben, initiated a story hour for 3-year olds in the Spring, while the Friends of the Library continued their Story Hour for 4 and 5 year olds. With the arrival of summertime, 'Miss Marcia' took the Story Hour out-of-doors when weather permitted, and the children enjoyed games and a special visit from a juggling clown, as well as many stories.

Fall brought such an interest in the story times that the librarian held four weekly sessions. Activities included films, arts and crafts, and action songs, in addition to reading stories.

#### Film Programs:

Seven Film Festivals were held throughout the year, one of which included a visit from a sing-along folk guitarist. A total of 173 children attended these special shows.

#### Summer Writing Contest:

The first Annual Summer Writing Contest took place this year, with six students submitting their creative writing efforts to be judged by three Amherst residents. Margaret Hoag, 14, won first prize for her story "The Adventures of James." Second prize was awarded to Jacqueline Scribner for her story "Troublesome Tigger." All contestants were treated to a pizza party, sponsored by the library.

#### Summer Reading Program:

149 first through fifth grade students enrolled in this program, reading 1,592 books. 83 children completed 6 or more books, the number required to attend the party held at the Wilkins School, where they received reading certificates, enjoyed refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library and were entertained by films and a special folk singer. Children could participate in this program at either the Town Library or the Amherst Middle School Summer Library.

Many thanks are due the volunteer listeners who helped and encouraged the children in their reading efforts throughout the program.

### Middle School Summer Library:

This was the fourth summer in which the Amherst School System and the Town Library cooperated in opening the Middle School Library for public use for 8 weeks. Mrs. June Marshall

was in charge, assisted by five student pages. Hours open were 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday evenings.

Book circulation was up 51% over 1977, and adult registrations were up 150% with 90 adults registering. Student registration remained the same at 110.

Statistics include:

Circulation:

Adult Fiction	74
Juvenile Fiction	1,451
Juvenile Non-Fiction	<u>427</u>
Total	1,952

A-V Usage:

Cassettes	21
Kits	220
Filmstrips	5
Records	<u>244</u>
Total	490

The library is an extremely active and busy place these days. We enjoy serving our many patrons and are presently looking ahead for new ways to expand and increase our usefulness to the community.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY WATSON, Librarian

Amherst Town Library  
Treasurer's Report

Period January 2, 1978 to December 30, 1978

INCOME

Cash balance 1/1/78	\$ 2,100.24
Town Trust Funds	1,211.02
Burglary Insurance	849.20
Returned Magazine Subscription	4.95
Town Appropriation	57,033.71
Fine Account Transfer	3,500.00
Fine Account Cash	506.70
Gifts	86.71
Katy Hutchings Memorial	1,000.00
Sam & Alys Warren Book Fund	35.59
Total Income	<u>\$66,328.12</u>

EXPENSES

	Spent 1978	Proposed 1979
Librarians' Salaries	\$37,271.89	\$43,958.00
Books	14,473.44	9,400.00
Custodian	2,584.00	2,754.00
Bindings, postage, supplies	966.77	1,500.00
Magazines	923.15	1,000.00
Records	357.00	350.00
Lights	1,744.15	2,000.00
Heat & A.C.	1,645.69	2,000.00
Phone (incl. fire alarm con.)	703.61	700.00
Building & Grounds	1,497.89	1,000.00
Capital Expense	332.66	
Miscellaneous	581.84	700.00
Middle School Summer Library	470.50	500.00
Fine Account Payment	1,087.38	
	<u>\$64,639.97</u>	<u>\$65,862.00</u>
Cash on Hand	1,688.15	
Actual total expenses for 1978	<u>\$66,328.12</u>	

Our 1979 salary budget reflects a 6½% salary increase, plus the salaries for children's librarian and a typist

Ted and Anna Boardman donated 100 shares of AVCO stock in December. We have sold this but have not yet received the cash - \$4,771.13. This will be added to the Special Account.

The cost of the Children's Room plus changes in the work room was paid for by a \$4000.00 Bean Foundation grant plus balance of past gifts from Ted and Anna Boardman (Special Souhegan acct.).

Town Trust Officers hold for us 59 shares of M.I.T. stock for the Sam and Alys Warren Book Fund.

In Souhegan Bank Special Savings

Account No. 800-052-3

1/1/78

Deposited 1978

\$ 2,886.00

6,992.67

Interest 1978	<u>170.13</u>
	\$10,048.80
Checks	<u>7,398.31</u>
Balance 1/1/79	\$ 2,650.49

In Amherst Bank & Trust Co.

Special Savings Account No. 002-6055	
1/1/78	\$2,476.12
Interest 1978	<u>127.23</u>
Balance 12/31/78	\$2,603.35

In Souhegan Bank Special Savings Account

No. 800-053-1	
1/1/78	\$ 3,794.18
Deposited 1978	1,618.92
Interest 1978	<u>218.72</u>
	\$ 5,631.82
Checks	<u>843.95</u>
Balance 12/31/78	\$ 4,787.87

In Souhegan Bank Special Savings Account

No. 800-069-7	
1/1/78	\$ 1,779.22
Deposited 1978	3,145.18
Interest 1978	<u>146.90</u>
	\$ 5,071.30
Checks	<u>3,543.29</u>
Balance 12/31/78	\$ 1,528.01

(Bundy Memorial) (Bal. in checking account)	\$328.98
(Recreation Commission) (Bal. in checking acct.)	112.79
(Hutchings Memorial) (Bal. in checking account)	928.16

Respectfully submitted,

E. DANIEL JOHNSON, Treasurer

# BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Adjustment met 15 times during 1978 and heard 46 cases which was an increase of 12 above 1977. The summary is as follows:

## Breakdown of Special Exceptions:

	Approved	Denied	Total
Home Occupations	8	1	9
Professional Offices	1	0	1
Change of Use	1	0	1
Cross Wet Lands	0	1	1
Church School Addition	1	0	1
Fill Wet Lands	0	1	1
Total	11	3	14

## Breakdown of Variances:

	Approved	Denied	Total
Change of Use	5	3	8
Increase Lot Size	1	0	1
Below Minimum Square Footage in Dwelling	1	0	1
Signs	1	1	2
Setbacks	2	0	2
Fill Wet Lands	0	1	1
Extend Existing Building	2	0	2
Condominium	1	0	1
Water Shed Protection Regulations	1	0	1
Kennel	0	1	1
Cluster	1	0	1
Under Size Lot	1	0	1
Total	16	6	22

## Appeal from an Administrative Decision

Approved	0
Denied	4
Total	4

## Temporary Use Permits

Approved	2
Denied	0
Total	2

## Rehearings

Approved	3
Denied	1
Total	4

Respectfully submitted by the 1978  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Arnold C. Dickinson, Chairman  
Rosemary Daly, Secretary  
John Bachman

J. Clark Logan  
Thomas W. Martin

## Zoning Administrator's Report

In 1978 much progress was made toward converting Zoning, Planning Board, and Board of Adjustment records to a lot number system of filing.

A major improvement in the inspection process is the change in the number of inspections made during construction of a septic system. The actual leach field location must be approved prior to the start of construction, insuring the removal of impervious soils.

Permits issued last year for repairs to septic systems decreased from an average yearly total of forty-five (45) down to twenty-six (26). This may, in part, reflect improvement due to Amherst Water Pollution regulations adopted in 1976 requiring leaching fields which essentially are twice the size of leach fields required previously.

I would congratulate those citizens, who thru their cooperation with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, help make reasonable enforcement of these regulations possible in the Town of Amherst.

Thanks to Richard Heineke of the Amherst Fire Prevention Bureau for his excellent assistance in implementing the requirements of the Life Safety code in new buildings.

Special thanks to Barbara Landry for sharing her time and her knowledge of Amherst with this department.

### Report for the Year of 1978

<u>Permits Issued</u>	<u>Applied for Quantity</u>	<u>Permits Issued</u>	<u>Permits Issued Value</u>
New Residences	93	88	6,472,000
New Comm/Indus	9	8	2,539,000
Addit./Alt./Res.	86	79	443,200
Addit./Alt./Comm./Indus.	16	10	322,500
Public Buildings			
Garages	21	19	105,200
Barns	8	8	21,900
Utility/Storage	20	20	29,050
Signs	12	10	4,400
Pools	11	11	32,100
Home Occupations	10	7	
Fences	15	14	12,200
Earth Removal			
Septic Repairs (not new bldgs.)	29	26	34,500
Driveway Repairs (not new bldgs.)	40	36	33,700
Oil Burners (not new bldgs.)	14	12	9,300
TOTALS	384	348	10,059,050
	<u>B.I.</u>	<u>Z.A.</u>	
Building Inspections:	2488	841	
Planning Board:			
Board of Adjustment:		58	
Violations:	25	14	
Complaints:	5	38	
Total Inspections:	2518	951	
Combined Total:			3,469

## Planning Board

### 1978 Year End Report

The year 1978 saw a continuation of the Planning Board's efforts to reinforce the 1975 Master Plan. The Sounding Board was reactivated to assist the Planning Board by examining the possible solutions to the many land use problems facing Amherst. The Sounding Board wrestled with difficult problems starting with the Woodland Park proposition and continuing through the examination of ways to preserve the rural character of Amherst, to encourage a diversity of people, interests and activities, and to ensure effective government and municipal and other services, at a price we are able to pay for the goals we have set for the Town.

The Planning Board will propose certain changes recommended by the Sounding Board at the 1979 Town Meeting. Other more comprehensive recommendations will be presented to the Town at a special town meeting in the late spring. The Sounding Board has performed yeoman service in its monthly meetings this year for the Planning Board and the Town. Study and spirited debate brought a consensus of views. For their outstanding service under the expert direction of Moderator Wight and his Steering Committee, the Planning Board offers its thanks and congratulations for a difficult job well done.

Amherst continued to grow in 1978 but at a slightly slower pace than that experienced in the previous three years. The Planning Board reviewed applications for subdivisions and approved 107 new building lots of which 99 were for residential sites in fifteen subdivisions and 8 were for commercial or industrial development. The town issued eighty-eight building permits for single family homes compared with an average of about 120 per year over the previous decade. It is increasingly clear that growth should be managed at a rate which the townspeople can afford in terms of providing services and schooling. New developments should provide in tax revenue at least as much as they cost in services and schooling. To this end the Planning Board decided this year to require developers to provide a cost impact statement with every request for a major subdivision of 5 or more lots. This practice should give the town a better idea of the cost vs. the tax return to the town of major subdivisions before they are built.

The Planning Board encourages and solicits suggestions, comments, and assistance from all interested townspeople. Join the Sounding Board or present your ideas individually. We listen.

ROGER SMITH, Chairman  
ROBERT CROUTER, Vice Chairman  
JAMES SHILDNECK, Secretary  
SCOTT SUTHERLAND  
CHARLES VARS  
DOUGLAS KIRKWOOD  
EDWARD MASTEN, ex-officio  
CHARLES TIEDEMANN, alternate  
MARILYN PETERMAN, alternate



## Amherst Recreation Commission

The town's interest in 1978 Recreation Commission activities and programs saw an increasing number of men, women, and children become involved as participants, volunteers, and workers.

Participation in youth programs continues to rise at an alarming rate. In 1978 a total of 1170 boys and girls registered to play soccer (315), basketball (175), softball (149), and baseball (531) as compared to 952 in 1977.

In order to help meet the increased size and scope of youth sports activities, a program of Youth Advisory Committees was developed during the year in each sport. A Committee's role is to make recommendations to the ARC about rules and policies governing each sport. The system was very successful in the organization and administration of 1978 youth programs.

A total of 1254 (plus 26) season passes were purchased for Baboosic Lake Park in 1978. An additional 651 people paid a guest fee to enjoy the increasingly popular beach facility. A staff of seven instructors gave swimming lessons to a record total of 569 students (plus 53). Over fifty young swimmers represented Baboosic Lake in meets during the season. The team did an outstanding job taking second place in its division in both the Granite State Association and Milford Rotary Club Meets. The Pavillion and Village Arts and Crafts programs continued to be popular summer activities.

Two 1978 Adult Education semesters were again very successful community services sponsored by the ARC. Two hundred people registered for 24 winter and fall classes. In the two years the program has been administered by the ARC 549 students have enrolled in 63 classes represented 32 courses ranging from Antiques to Yoga.

Under ARC sponsorship activities for men and women in volleyball, softball, and basketball and a womens' fall tennis league were developed by the participants and enjoyed by a large number of Amherst adults. One hundred sixty-five tennis players took advantage of instruction on town courts in the spring, summer, and fall.

In its role as co-sponsor with the Conservation Commission, the ARC assisted in developing the newly created Amherst Outing Club. A number of monthly outdoor programs were planned for the 261 men, women, and children who became charter members of the AOC in 1978.

In yet other 1978 activities an early winter Amherst Family Ski Night, a fall theatrical production staged by Director Rita Harden and co-sponsored with the American Association of University Women, and the fall Ski & Skate Swap proved to be successful and profitable enterprises for all concerned.

The ARC sees its efforts expanding in a number of directions in 1979:

- 1) To develop and expand activities for boys and girls so that programs are safe and enjoyable for those who participate.
- 2) To find new and better ways of tapping the reserve of

talent in Amherst to serve as volunteers with ARC programs.

- 3) To increase the horizon of ARC programs by finding additional facilities for play and recreational activities.
- 4) To continue emphasis on the Commission's basic philosophy that all who become involved in activities it sponsors will be guaranteed the opportunity to participate accordingly.

We would like to recognize and say thank you to a number of groups in the community for help and support given in 1978 including the Amherst School Board, school administrators and custodians, the Amherst Highway Department personnel, members of the Town Hall staff, and the Board of Selectmen. An additional vote of thanks is extended to the Amherst Jaycees for all the work and effort that has been put into plans for renovating town playing fields.

The larger and more involved youth programs become, the more respect and gratitude we have for the many mothers and fathers who spend untold hours coaching, car pooling, and cheering. Without them such activities could never happen.

SUSAN KIERSTEAD (Chairman)

JIM AGNEW

DICK NEWBERT

STEVE OAKS

MARY SPARKS

## Road Commission Report

1978

The road commission held regular meetings during the year as well as several special meetings to review special problems that were of concern to the commission and the road agent.

We have updated the long range road and bridge programs to the town and sent the planning board a list of roads that are not up to town road specifications. It was pointed out that development in these areas may require upgrading of town roads in order to accommodate new developments in the area.

All roads approved for town ownership in 1978 were inspected as required by the town road specifications. During the construction season all roads under construction were inspected during each phase of construction. We have tried to point out any area of concern to the developer so that any problems may be corrected or eliminated during the construction.

We recognize that road construction is costly and we know that it can be costly to the town if certain problems are not detected before the town accepts the road.

Respectfully submitted,

MERIC ARNOLD  
STEPHEN DUGGAN  
EVERETT LEACH

### Department of Civil Preparedness

Through the Civil Preparedness office a 4 wheel drive truck was obtained for the Highway Department's use at no cost to the Town.

Work was started on the Civil Preparedness truck which will be a portable electric unit. Funds to complete this project are in the 1979 budget.

Civil Preparedness personnel have completed over 80 hours of advanced training in emergency operations planning, communication and disaster services.

At this time I would like to ask for volunteers in the areas of communications (ham operators), clerk, shelter management and general workers.

ROY E. MASTON, Director, Civil Preparedness

### Amherst Rescue Squad

During the past year, the Squad answered a total of 371 calls, an increase of 16% over 1977.

#### 1978 Rescue Squad Calls

Highway Accidents	44
Other Accidents	75
Illnesses	138
Miscellaneous	114
Persons Transported to Hospitals	310
Persons Assisted	341
Calls to Mont Vernon	28

On the other hand, Squad membership fell to 37 members from 48 members on the roster as of January 1, 1978. Our greatest need therefore is new members to fill the existing vacancies. Anyone interested in serving the Town as a member of the Rescue Squad should contact a present member or call the Chief for additional information.

During 1978, the modular ambulance approved at the March, 1978 Town Meeting was equipped and placed in service as our back-up ambulance and rescue vehicle. Both for patients and attendants, it has been a significant improvement.

Squad programs continue to serve the community in ways other than the provision of emergency medical services. Eight members who are N.H. Heart Association CPR instructors gave the nationally publicized Heartsaver course for almost 200 Amherst residents. Red Cross Basic and Advanced First Aid and CPR classes were also made available to the general public by members who are certified Red Cross instructors.

Squad members look forward to quarters for their training and vehicles through construction of a police/rescue facility in the near future and wish to thank all of the citizens of Amherst for their continuing support.

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAV JUST, Chief, Amherst Rescue Squad

MARCIA ROLLINS, Deputy Chief

JUDITH CORBETT, Captain, Ambulance

RICHARD DeNICOLA, Captain, Rescue

MILTON BOYD & DIANE FITZPATRICK, Lieutenants, Ambulance

BARBARA RICKER & WAYNE WARWICK, Lieutenants, Rescue

AUDREY STRICKLAND, Secretary

## July Fourth Report

Theme - Family Affair  
Winning Float - Amherst Jr. Womens' Club  
Main Speaker - Rev. Arnold Johnson  
Citizen of the Year Award Recipient - Robert Crouter  
Float Judge - ASF actor William Meisle  
Antique Car Judges - Michael Riccitelli and Tyler Stevens  
New for '78 - "Orson H. Bragdon Reviewing Stand" signs

The above were some of the important parts of our very rainy July 4th. The parade was held, although the Band Concert was moved to Wilkins School and the Jaycee Field Events were postponed.

Governor Meldrim Thompson addressed the crowd and Selectman Bert McGill presented a portrait of Lord Jeffrey Amherst.

The Committee wishes to thank all the Townsfolk who had the faith to come out in the pouring rain for the parade. Seeing so many there told us we had made the right decision to hold the parade in spite of the weather.

Respectfully submitted,

ANN CONNELL BERGIN - Chairman

### COMMITTEE

EMILY & GEORGE TREMBLAY

DORIS & RAYMOND NOLAN

JEANNE & WILLIAM PAVONE

KYLE & WILLIAM LANGILLE

RALPH HASKELL

PETER BERGIN

DOROTHY SULLIVAN

JUSTINA STALEY and her aides:

EUNICE TERO, JOANNE PAYNE,

FRAN CAMELLO, SUE & BOB CONNOLLY

NASHUA COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Community Council is a private, non-profit Community Mental Health Center with an agreement with the State of New Hampshire to provide comprehensive mental health services to all residents of ten towns in Southern Hillsborough County. Service is based on need alone and the fee schedule is dictated by the New Hampshire Division of Mental Health. Income and family size are used to determine charges to patients. A summary of services provided Amherst patients is currently available. The summary shows that average charges to Amherst patients without insurance are low compared to the cost to provide that service. The difference must be made up from other sources, and both the Federal Government and the State insist on local matching funds for us to continue to receive their present level of support.

Community Council respectfully requests that financial support in the amount of one thousand twenty-four dollars (\$1,024.00) be included in the budget at the next Amherst town meeting. This year we are "holding the line" by asking for the same total amount as last year from the towns of our assigned area.

Local town support for Community Council's Mental Health Services is essential in order to maintain those services at their current level and to provide the matching funds needed to continue the present level of Federal and State support.

During the twelve month period of November 1977 through October 1978, there were 67 Amherst residents provided with Mental Health Services from Community Council. Of these, 31 were new admissions: 2.4% of the total new admissions served during the period. These 31 new Amherst admissions showed a 13.9% decrease under the 1977 twelve month period.

While Amherst residents represent 2.4% of clinic clients Amherst residents represent 7% of the population of Community Council's catchment area.

Cost to provide Outpatient services was \$36.52 per patient per direct service hour. Please note that cost increase represents only a 4.9% increase over the 1977 figure. Average outpatient fee charged to Amherst residents where insurance would not cover was \$15.87 per patient per direct service hour. Average number of outpatient visits per admission was 9.6. Total cost for providing Amherst residents with 297.5 direct service outpatient hours was \$10,864.70.

Two Amherst residents received inpatient care for a total of 7 inpatient days. Cost to this program for these services was \$285.60. No Amherst residents participated in Community Council Partial Hospitalization Program.

Although no demographic breakdown on Emergency Program exists, estimates project 2.4% of the total number of people requiring this service come from Amherst. Assumption is made on the basis of overall patient participation from Amherst on the Community Council's population. Projected cost of this service - \$1,026.67.

Consultation/Education services and Training of clinic staff minus contracted services are treated as a separate expense for purposes of clarification. Amherst share of the non-reimburseable expenses would be \$1,274.14.

Summary

Adult and Children Outpatient Services	\$10,865.00
Inpatient Services	286.00
Partial Hospitalization Services	0.00
Emergency Services	1,027.00
C & E and Staff Training	1,274.00
Total Cost for Amherst	\$13,452.00

MARK E. LEONARDI, Treasurer

## SOUHEGAN NURSING ASSOCIATION

The services of the Nursing Association are available to all persons in the three communities of Amherst, Milford and Mont Vernon, regardless of their ability to pay. 534 nursing visits have been made to 246 Amherst residents so far this year.

Skilled Nursing Care is given in the home with physicians orders. Visits are also made to new mothers and handicapped persons. The care of the sick is taught to responsible family members.

Office visits may be made at the Association's building on the North River Road, in Milford, for blood pressure checks and injections, ordered by a physician. These visits are scheduled between 9:00 and 10:00 A.M., Monday through Friday, or by calling to make an appointment.

Immunization clinics are held once a month, free of charge. The supplies are furnished by the State Department of Health and Welfare. 85 Amherst children have received immunizations this year. A Well-Child clinic is held on the same day. Appointments are made for the child to be seen by a pediatrician, if the family is financially eligible. 17 Amherst children are enrolled in our Well-Child clinic program. Referrals are made to Crippled Children's Services, or to other Physicians, when necessary.

Dental clinics are held here twice yearly. These are cosponsored by the State Bureau of Dental Health. 85 Amherst children were screened this year.

(Mrs.) MARION JACKSON, R.N., Director



## Souhegan Regional Landfill District

### SUMMARY OF 1978 activities of Souhegan Regional Landfill District.

The District has continued the engineering study of the remaining land available under lease from the Town of Amherst to determine the extent of the usable space for landfill purposes. While the space now being used will last for several years, the District feels plans must be formulated to determine the direction of future methods of refuse disposal. A sequence of operations and design data is expected to be submitted to the proper State Departments early in 1979 and preliminary discussions indicate approval of the plan. When the plan is approved, an area about three times the size of the original area will be opened up for landfill use. This will require the removal of thousands of cubic yards of fill before the new area can be prepared for use.

Some small progress has been made by the sending towns in encouraging their citizens to bring refuse to the collection sites during the week rather than concentrating their visits to Saturday and Sunday. Much more must be done in spreading the load of refuse particularly as the population grows. The change in habits is insignificant compared to the change in habits imposed on citizens where compulsory separation is mandated.

Voluntary recycling continues and is increasing in some District towns and every encouragement should be given to everyone to participate. Every cubic foot which can be kept out of the landfill will be of benefit to everyone in the District.

During a discussion with the Municipal Services Division of the Department of Revenue Administration in Concord regarding their audit of the District records they commented that our budget appeared inadequate to cover emergencies. It turns out they were right as 1978 ended up with a deficit. This was largely due to unexpected cost of repairs to our tractor.

## SELECTMEN'S NARRATIVE

In 1978 we finally began our semi-annual tax collection and we are very pleased to be anticipating operating our town without borrowing money and thus incurring interest debt. Our housing starts have been down a little which has allowed a better chance for future planning. "The Meeting Place" - the shopping center years in the making is near completion and we think everyone is very pleased with the quality of the building and the anticipation of services in our own town. The proposal for the reconstruction of the Merrimack Bridge was turned down at town meeting but we must look carefully at a bridge program for the several bridges in town that need reconstruction. We can only guess that this was a similar subject of thought in the early 1900's when all these bridges were built! Last winter heavy snows caused the collapse of the Baboosic Pavillion roof and at this writing we anticipate the demolition of most of the building signaling an end to a special place where many dances have been held and, in years gone by, a center for summer activities.

An inspection of our financial records by a CPA firm credited us by and large with good accounting practice.

Our fire prevention team has instituted a very thorough inspection system in all non-residential buildings.

A very thorough study on the great summer enemy, the mosquito, was done last summer and the endless list of names on petitions before us now would indicate a strong desire to at least cut back the number of those eligible to bite. Carpet was laid on the town hall floors as what is probably a final stage of the interior decorating. The eye appeal, noise barrier and warmth are very much appreciated by most.

Ed Masten was elected president of the New Hampshire Municipal Association this year indicating his continuing commitment to town government.

As a result of the charge of the March 1978 town meeting, a site has been found for the police/rescue facility and plans for the building are coming along nicely.

As Amherst continues to grow, we feel the changes in many areas - growth in our town personnel, more roads to care for, and it seems, more rules to follow. We continue to be concerned with home occupations as we also seek a good balance of commercial and industrial growth. It seems we are on the threshold of some level of professional management of the town business and we will have to struggle one day with how best to incorporate that while still trying to maintain our town team atmosphere. We witnessed a major effort on the part of most of the town departments to hold the line on budgeting - perhaps a spillover of the now famous proposition 13.

On the very local scene we all, members or no, participated in the decisions of the change in the architecture of the Congregational Church and their sale of the Parish Hall/Post Office building. The uncommon interest in our lovely common continues. On the other end of the green, the sale of the Mosher-Boardman estate to developers wishing to change the buildings to condominiums also occupied much time and

thought. We are hopeful of a happy outcome. We continue to lose new friends who must move for job changes and, of course, we lost some treasured friends to death, but our nice town continues to be nice. It is always overwhelming to sit on this board **and** have daily contact with those many people in our town paid and unpaid who give so generously of their time and talent to keep Amherst such a nice town to live in.

ANN D. SNOW, Chairman  
THOMAS GRELLA, Vice-Chairman  
SAMUEL KELIN  
EDWARD MASTEN  
BERT MCGILL

## Historic District Commission

During 1978 the Historic District Commission approved 10 applications for alterations, 5 for new construction, 2 for signs and 2 for fences. In some instances changes were made in the original application following consultation with members of the Commission.

Two public hearings were held during the year. The application of the Amherst Congregational Church for an addition was considered on May 10, 1978, and adjourned to May 17. Approval was granted subject to changes determined by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

A public hearing was held to consider the proposed construction and alteration of condominiums at the Boardman property. This matter was referred to the Commission by the Board of Adjustment, since the property in question lies outside the Historic District, though directly contiguous thereto. Approval was granted unanimously.

Mrs. Ronald Berlack retired from the Commission after 3 years of active and interested service. Her participation in maintaining and preserving the traditional flavor of the District is appreciated.

G. WINTHROP BROWN  
ROBERT CROUTER  
THOMAS GRELLA  
ANNA JONES  
PETER ROTCH

REPORT OF DISTRICT FOREST FIRE CHIEF  
and  
YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN

For more than 80 years, a cooperative effort between the State of New Hampshire and local forest fire authorities has created a forest fire prevention and suppression program that is recognized as superior throughout the United States.

Since the first forest fire laws were written in 1895, the state and local community governments have worked together to prevent and combat forest fires.

Today, 249 forest fire wardens and more than 1,800 deputy wardens are appointed every three years by the State Forester to work with the members of the State Forest Fire staff in this effort. State funds are used to pay one-half the cost of forest fire suppression costs incurred by local forest fire organizations, within pay rates established by the Governor and Council. State funds matched by local funds are used to purchase hand tools to suppress forest fires, to train local forest fire crews and in forest fire prevention work.

All outside burning, when the ground is not covered with snow, is permitted only after obtaining a written fire permit from your local Forest Fire Warden. Penalty for burning without a permit when one is required is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$1,000 or a jail term of up to one year or both.

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!

1978 Forest Fire Statistics

	<u>No. of Fires</u>	<u>No. of Acres Burned</u>
State	1,433	460
District	464	105
Town	24	4¼

GILBERT TESTA, District Fire Chief  
MARSHALL D. STRICKLAND, Forest Fire Warden

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## AUDITORS' OPINION

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Amherst, New Hampshire

We have examined the financial statements of the various funds of the Town of Amherst for the year ended December 31, 1977, listed in the accompanying Table of Contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

As is the practice with many municipalities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town does not maintain a record of its general fixed assets and, accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements listed in the accompanying Table of Contents present fairly the financial position of the various funds of the Town of Amherst at December 31, 1977 and the results of operations of such funds for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Our examination also comprehended the supplemental schedules as of December 31, 1977 or for the year then ended listed in the accompanying Table of Contents. In our opinion, such supplemental schedules, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements, present fairly in all material respects the information shown therein.

*Deloitte Haskins & Sells*

April 14, 1978

## Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town of \_\_\_\_\_

AMHERST

on December 31, 19<sup>78</sup>

[illegible]







Amherst Village District  
Warrant

The State of New Hampshire

The polls will be open at 8:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsboro in said State, qualified to vote in

DISTRICT AFFAIRS

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Amherst on Friday, the 16th day of March, next at 8:00 of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary District Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray district charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to establish a capital reserve fund to provide for financing of all or part of the cost of acquisition of equipment and reconstruction of the water system facilities and to authorize the District Commissioners to determine when expenditures shall be made and to withdraw from said fund for the intended purposes or take action relative thereto.
4. To see if the District will give the Commissioners and District Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of District taxes.
5. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 23rd day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-nine.

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD  
CARL E. DOANE  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE

Commissioners of Amherst Village District

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD  
CARL E. DOANE  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE

Commissioners of Amherst Village District

## Amherst Village District

The District now has 240 subscribers, leaving only a few who have their own wells, who have not yet requested District water service.

With this load on the system, it was observed during last summer's hot, dry periods that the demand on the pump and well exceeded its capacity during the day and the storage tank made up the deficiency. The tank was then refilled during the night when the demand relaxed. This situation is serious and requires the District to take action to combat excessive water use and simultaneously prepare for future EPA requirements.

A warrant article is included this year to implement this action. Article 3 is required by law to be voted at the District meeting. Passage of this article will enable the District to accumulate a fund for emergency use and future limited expansion of the pumping facility.

Water service rates have not changed since the system was installed 27 years ago. At that time rates were structured to provide 40,000 gallons at \$30.00 per year with an additional sliding scaled down charge for overage beyond 40,000 gallons. This structure allows consumers to use excessive amounts of water without penalty, yet the cost per gallon for pumping is constant.

In 1977 the average annual usage per metered service was 85,000 gallons excluding schools, with only 45 services using less than 40,000 gallons. The Commissioners recommend a new fixed rate of 50,000 gallons at \$40.00 per year minimum plus any overage above 50,000 gallons to be charged at the rate of 80¢ per thousand gallons.

It must be emphasized that excessive and wasteful water consumption places an additional load on the system and threatens the availability of water for all subscribers and the Fire Department.

The Amherst Highway Department has for the past 27 years repaired and maintained road defects which were a direct result of installation of the water system without charge to the District for which we are grateful. Many of such defects remain and must be repaired to prevent further road and equipment damage. The Highway Department has requested a sum of \$5000/year for the next 3 years to help defray the repair costs in the Village. The Commissioners have voted to include this item in the budget for three years.

During this past year 12 meters have been replaced and 4 leaks at curb stop valves were dug out and repaired. In all cases leaks were due to failure of the copper tubing running from the valve to the meter, and furthermore analysis showed in each case that Type L tubing had originally been installed which was against District regulations. It was further verified that all District owned tubing was as specified, Type K. It is interesting to note that Type L and Type K have average guaranteed lives of 20 years and 30 years respectively. In all repairs of this nature new improved valves and curb boxes are being installed while the ground is open.

Again we extend our appreciation for the efforts of John

Hanlon and Howard Boothroyd for handling these repairs and maintaining the service.

District indebtedness on the bond issue now stands at \$10,000 which will be paid in full in two more years.

Before closing, it is fitting to regretfully mention the passing of Ray Kruger last November and extend our condolences to his wife, Kay, and their family. Ray and Kay have both worked unselfishly on behalf of the District since its inception 27 years ago.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD, Chairman  
CARL E. DOANE  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE

Commissioners of the Amherst Village District

Amherst Village District  
Balance Sheet  
December 31, 1978

Assets

Cash		\$ 7,992
Investment		100
Water rates receivable		5,163
Hydrant rental receivable		1,755
Utility plant in service, at cost	\$166,977	
Accumulated depreciation	( 87,586)	79,391
		<u>\$94,401</u>

Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance

Bonds payable:		
Due within one year		\$ 5,000
Due beyond one year (1980)		5,000
		<u>10,000</u>
Fund balance		84,401
		<u>\$94,401</u>

Statement of Changes in Cash Balances  
For the Year ended December 31, 1978

Funds provided	\$ 1,260
From operations - net income	3,340
- depreciation	135
Decrease in water rates receivable	<u>4,735</u>
Funds applied	
Reduction of bonds payable	5,000
Increase in hydrant rental receivable	<u>1,755</u>
	<u>6,755</u>
Decrease in cash balances	2,020
Cash balances, beginning of year	<u>10,012</u>
Cash balances, end of year	<u>\$ 7,992</u>

Amherst Village District  
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and  
Changes in Fund Balance

	Year-ended December 31, 1978	Budget for year ended December 31, 1978
Revenues		
Water Service	\$10,447	\$16,300
Precint tax - transfer from general fund	3,148	9,719
Hydrant rental	1,755	1,755
Interest and dividends	474	700
Total	<u>15,824</u>	<u>28,474</u>
Operating expenses		
Interest on bonds payable	281	224
Superintendent fee	1,800	1,800
Ass't. superintendent fee	600	600
Clerk - treasurer fee	1,000	1,000
Tax collector fee	200	200
Utilities	4,425	5,000
Operating supplies and maintenance	1,913	2,500
Depreciation	3,340	3,340
Meters	--	600
Office supplies	205	250
Insurance	510	550
Water test	290	350
Legal fees	--	300
Road repairs	--	5,000
Town report	--	100
	<u>14,564</u>	<u>21,814</u>
Net income	1,260	<u>\$ 6,660</u>
Fund balance January 1, 1978	<u>83,141</u>	
Fund balance December 31, 1978	<u>84,401</u>	

NOTE: In 1979, the District plans to establish a capital reserve fund of \$5,000 to be put under the custody of the Trustees of Trust Funds.

Synopsis of Town Meeting  
March 14, 1978

Acting under Warrant for Town Meeting, polls opened at 7:00 a.m. and closed at 7:00 p.m. in the Wilkins School.

Results of election:

Selectman - Edward C. Masten, 3 years  
Town Clerk - Bernice G. Boothroyd, 3 years  
Treasurer - Marion M. Sortevik  
Road Agent - Richard G. Crocker  
Trustee of Trust Funds - G. Winthrop Brown, 3 years  
Library Trustees - W. Ryland Cox, Daniel Johnson,  
3 years  
Moderator - M. Arnold Wight, Jr., 2 years  
Supervisors - Robert Wishart, 6 years  
Board of Adjustment - John Bachman, 5 years  
J. Clark Logan, 2 years  
Thomas W. Martin, 1 year

Summary of Articles 2 to 21

Article 2. Amendment 1. New boundary described from North (Old Nashua Road) to South (Hollis-Amherst Town Line).

YES - 622 NO - 226

Amendment 2. Withdrawn by Planning Board

Amendment 3. To preclude internally lighted signs.

YES - 628 NO - 268

Amendment 4. To reword the Section pertaining to building permits and clarify types of permits and circumstances under which they would be issued.

YES - 700 NO - 199

Amendment 5. To eliminate the Transition District on Rt. 101A.

YES - 692 NO - 214

Amendment 6. To increase the coverage of the regulations of the Water Shed Protection area by expanding the definition of the same.

YES - 689 NO - 209

Amendment 7. By deleting in its entirety Art. III Section 3-9, Para. A.

YES - 536 NO - 227

Amendment 8. To permit smaller first floor area in residential construction.

YES - 448 NO - 458

Amendment 9. To change the definition of Residential District Homes Occ.

YES - 652 NO - 279

Amendment 10. Withdrawn - Limited Commercial (Town Center)

Amendment 11. To change zoning of Lot 12-40 on Rt. 101A from Residential to Commercial.

YES - 407 NO - 467

Article 3. Relative to expanded exemption on real estate for the elderly

YES - 709 NO - 195 (Equalized

Assessed value to actual assessed valuation)

Article 4. Exemptions on real estate for elderly, changing the eligibility requirement.

YES - 744 NO - 197

Article 5. Town Treasurer term from one to three years. (by petition)

YES - 763 NO - 182

Article 6. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,123,489.81 for town charges.

Article 7. Voted to give Selectmen and Treasurer authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 8. Voted to withdraw from Revenue Sharing Funds for use as off-sets against budget appropriations

Library - Books	\$ 1,500.00
Health - Mosquito Control	1,800.00
Town Hall Renovation	8,000.00
Police Cruiser	6,000.00
Town Office Expense	3,500.00
	<u>\$20,800.00</u>

Article 9. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to purchase and equip an ambulance to replace the 1972 ambulance, and to authorize selectmen to apply for and receive Federal Funds for reimbursement in the amount of \$7,500.00 of the funds so raised and appropriated, and to authorize the withdrawal of \$6,000.00 from the Ambulance Capital Reserve Fund as an offset against the fund so raised and appropriated and to authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Funds to be applied against the funds so raised and appropriated with the balance to be raised by taxation.

Article 10. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 to purchase a Police Cruiser and to authorize the withdrawal for the amount required for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Funds.

Article 11. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000.00 for the acquisition of land and necessary engineering drawings for a proposed joint police/rescue facility and authorize the withdrawal of \$25,000.00 from Revenue Sharing Funds.

YES - 125 NO - 128

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the further development of the Master Plan and authorize the withdrawal of the sum from Revenue Sharing Funds.

Article 13. Withdrawn (Repair damages to the roof at Baboosic Pavillion)

Article 14. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$148,000.00 to construct a new bridge on the Merrimack Rd.

YES - 168 NO - 183

Article 15. To be taken up on March 21st at recessed meeting.

Article 16. Voted to authorize the withdrawal from Anti-Recession Funds the sum of \$4,010.00 to be used as an offset against the budgeted appropriations for summer employment.



Article 17. Withdrawn (To change fiscal year)

Article 18. Voted to adopt the provision of RSA 31:105  
"Indemnification for Damages"

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of  
\$25,000.00 to be administered by the Conservation Commission  
and Board of Selectmen for the purpose of acquiring land.

Article 20. Voted to raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 for  
improving Upper Wilkins Field. (by petition)

Article 21. (by petition) Voted not to send a letter to  
General Court regarding utilities rate charges.

Meeting was recessed till March 21st at 8:00 p.m. at  
Wilkins School to act on Article #15 and any other business  
to legally come before said meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk  
March 15, 1978

Recessed Town Meeting  
March 21, 1978

Meeting opened at 8:05 p.m. Moderator Wight explained the  
meaning of an adjourned and recessed meeting. About 250  
citizens were present.

Article 15. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of  
\$100,000.00 to construct 800 feet of approaches and a bridge  
on the Merrimack Rd.

YES - 135                      NO - 106

a 2/3 vote required. Polls opened at 9PM and closed at 10PM.

Article 11. Mr. Raymond Nolan of River Road asked for a  
motion to reconsider Article #11. It was moved and seconded  
Article #11 be reconsidered at this meeting. Moderator  
Wight's ruling was challenged. The moderator read Mr. Nolan's  
amendment because of the absence of a floor mike. Selectmen  
McGill spoke at length of the need for the facility. Recessed  
for 5 min. (9:20PM) to allow Town Officers to vote on Article  
#15. Meeting called to order at 9:30PM. Voted to adopt the  
motion to amend Article #11, discussion followed. Moved and  
seconded to limit debate - motion carried. Mrs. Greenblatt  
asked the amendment to be reread. Amendment to read as:

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of  
Thirty-five Thousand \$35,000.00 dollars to be used as follows:

- (a) Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars to conduct  
engineering and architectural studies for a proposed  
joint police/rescue facility;
- (b) Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars to be  
applied to the exercise of an existing option  
providing for the purchase of a 5.47 acre parcel of  
land on Limbo Lane in Amherst, on terms and  
conditions set forth in said option, provided the  
Board of Selectmen determine said site to be suitable  
for the foregoing purpose, or, alternatively, said

Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars to be applied to the purchase of such other tract as the Board of Selectmen, after said study, deem suitable for such purpose, and to authorize the withdrawal of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars from Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 to be applied against the appropriation or take action relative thereto.

Article 11 was adopted as amended.

Article 21 - motion to reconsider Article #21 was defeated.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk  
March 22, 1978

Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N.H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1978

Date and Place	Name of Bride and Groom	Name of Officiant
Jan. 14, Amherst	Roland D. Robert Lucy E. Jsirandanis	Rev. Dave Wells
Jan. 27, Milford	John W. Wollen Doris M. Carkin	Rev. Craig Richards
Feb. 7, Nashua	Neil F. Mangold Nellie R. O'Brien	Rev. John J. Sullivan
Feb. 18, Amherst	Michael E. Peacock Karen L. Hill	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
Feb. 26, Medford, Ma.	John A. Reyer Kathleen M. Webb	Rev. Paul G. Kelley
Mar. 4, Amherst	Todd E. Cannaday Maureen E. Ryan	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Mar. 11, Amherst	Paul E. Bourgeois, Jr. Ann Marie Maggard	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Mar. 24, Milford	Dana C. Powers Marcia J. Bragdon	Rev. Glen C. Bachelder
Mar. 25, Amherst	James F. Snyder Judith C. Snow	Rev. William Stone
Apr. 1, Amherst	Nelson J. McDermott, Jr. Joanne Carter	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
Apr. 15, Milford	Richard S. Bates, Jr. Carleen M. Miller	Rev. Craig Richards
Apr. 21, Merrimack	William J. Grigas Diane P. Hall	Rev. Norman Christopherson
Apr. 29, Amherst	F. Webster Stout Janice L. Duval	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
May 6, Amherst	Robert W. Geiszler Joan E. Boothroyd	Rev. Frank Carpenter
May 9, Nashua	Donald F. Frank Judith L. Stevens	Joseph F. Gall, Jr. Justice of the Peace
May 13, Bedford	Gerard A. Paquette, Jr. Nancy A. Chapman	Rev. James Scotland, Jr.
May 13, Milford	Donald R. Blanchette Denise M. Litchfield	Rev. Wm. Shanahan
May 13, Milford	Gerald K. Robbins Carol L. Hineman	Rev. Louis Soucey
May 25, Sharon	George W. Walsh, Jr. Dorothy M. Munzner	Janet E. MacQuarrie Justice of the Peace
May 26, Amherst	Kenneth C. Stowell Marjorie P. Weston	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
June 2, Amherst	Richard B. Pelton Sandra L. Starz	Rev. David D. Holroyd
June 3, Peterborough	William F. Butler III Nanci A. Jones	Rev. Lewis Stone
June 10, Merrimack	Robert J. Girouard Patricia Anne Janas	Rev. James P. Watson
June 10, Milford	Kurt A. Karn Elizabeth M. Hunt	Rev. Daniel W. Ferry
June 16, Milford	Michael R. Ciardelli Heather M. Weimont	J. Michael Deasy Justice of the Peace
June 24, Milford	Paul L. Parrish Alexis J. Pulley	May C. Gaffney Justice of the Peace

Date and Place	Name of Bride and Groom	Name of Officiant
June 24, Amherst	Kim N. Hutchinson Gretchen VanDine	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
June 24, Milford	Gary E. Greene Robyn L. Parsons	Rev. William J. Shanahan
July 1, Nashua	John A. Palmer Lorrie A. Lavallee	Rev. Jean M. Greer
July 8, Amherst	Daniel R. McFarland Linda S. Sessler	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
July 15, Nashua	Craig A. Everett Janet E. Hall	Rev. Dave N. Wells
July 15, Barrington	Shepley L. Ross II Karen M. Decareau	Rev. James R. Frase
July 22, Amherst	Keith R. Morse Sharry A. McNally	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
July 29, Amherst	Quentin R. Searle Martha F. Spahr	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
July 30, Weare	John L. Milligan Nancy M. Procter	Albert S. Farmer Justice of the Peace
Aug. 6, Milford	Craig A. Brown Vicki L. Proctor	Rev. Craig H. Richards
Aug. 26, Amherst	Jerry A. Carman Nancy C. Lamont	Rev. E. Roy Burchell
Aug. 26, Amherst	Carl B. Berntsen, Jr. Ronda J. Covert	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Sept. 2, Amherst	Jeffrey D. Thowald Barbara J. Saipe	Aaron A. Harkaway Justice of the Peace
Sept. 3, Amherst	Jerry C. Kallam Dorothy L. Chandley	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Sept. 16, Keene	Dana J. Marcotte Karen L. Ducharme	Rev. Robert A. Hersam
Sept. 16, Milford	Robert L. Bean Leslie S. Haulenbeek	Rev. Daniel W. Ferry
Sept. 29, Amherst	Michael P. Young Susan E. Whalon	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Oct. 8, Nashua	Joseph T. Wilson, Jr. Donna M. Phelps	Rev. Jean M. Greer
Oct. 10, Nashua	Charles R. Desmarais Ann D. Terrell	Ronald W. Bowman Justice of the Peace
Oct. 13, Amherst	James E. Duggan Helen J. Hartman	Paul H. Lawrence Justice of the Peace
Oct. 14, Milford	John McLane Rotch Jean C. Young	Rev. Louis A. Soucey
Oct. 20, Amherst	David W. Hutchinson Laurie A. Filter	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Oct. 28, Manchester	William L. Hendrix Jane H. Beck	Jane B. Faggiano Justice of the Peace
Nov. 5, Milford	Charles M. Ranchetti Nancy A. Corcoran	Rev. Louis A. Soucey
Nov. 11, Nashua	Alfred R. Therriault Cora E. Pew	Jacqueline M. Moore Justice of the Peace
Nov. 24, Amherst	Stanley B. Goddard Kathryn J. Curtis	Rev. Robert E. Ford
Dec. 16, Salem	Kevin Lyle Cathy LaFrance	Rev. Paul L. Higgins
Dec. 30, Amherst	Robert E. McAuliffe, Jr. Lois K. McDowell	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson

Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N.H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1978

Date and Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 2, Nashua	Catherine Tuy Rhoades	Richard H. Rhoades	Trong Thi Nguyen
Jan. 6, Nashua	Kelly Ann Cittadini	Robert F. Cittadini	Elizabeth A. Vineyard
Jan. 15, Nashua	Tara Lynn Pizzagno	Joseph E. Pizzagno	Joan L. Brothers
Jan. 28, Nashua	Leslie Elizabeth Owen	Givin McL. Owen	Diana K. Brown
Jan. 29, Nashua	Diana Lynne Rusch	Bruce R. Rusch	Karen A. Deckert
Feb. 2, Nashua	Kimberly Marie Manning	Ronald A. Manning	Carol A. Duval
Feb. 3, Nashua	Kimberly Ann Bishop	Ted L. Bishop	Darlene F. Curtis
Feb. 6, Nashua	Sandra Anne Wentworth	Robert S. Wentworth	Marian A. Reichel
Feb. 8, Nashua	Lynn Yvonne Neumeister	Joseph D. Neumeister, Jr.	Diana L. McCay
Feb. 11, Nashua	John Joseph Markunas III	John J. Markunas, Jr.	Mary E. Cook
Feb. 11, Nashua	Laura Marie Conrad	Robert W. Conrad	Rachel M. Giguere
Feb. 11, Nashua	Kurt Nathan Fredrickson	Kemper N. Fredrickson	Deborah A. Luckner
Feb. 27, Nashua	David Michael Conaway	John H. Conaway	Mary Anne T. Denzler
Mar. 2, Peterborough	Caroline Elizabeth Kraft	Wayne R. Kraft	Carole J. Weaver
Mar. 3, Nashua	Melinda Ann Cookinham	Paul M. Cookinham	Elizabeth A. Blandelt
Mar. 7, Concord	William Edward Stearns III	William E. Stearns, Jr.	L. Kathryn Bruce
Mar. 11, Nashua	Meghan Colleen Price	Danny F. Price	Cynthia A. Boland
Mar. 12, Nashua	Hope Ann Grugnale	Robert N. Grugnale	Rita M. Berwick
Mar. 15, Manchester	Sharon Denny Morgan	Stephen V. Morgan	Elizabeth A. Bokken
Mar. 18, Nashua	Kristin Elise Wheeler	Richard A. Wheeler, Jr.	Susan P. Ryll
Mar. 29, Nashua	Paul Jason Yuknewicz	William C. Yuknewicz	Cynthia E. Griffin
Mar. 29, Nashua	David Rudolph Lang	Peter M. Lang	Pauline R. Lessard
Apr. 2, Nashua	Candi Dawn Barnett	Scott Wm. Barnett, Sr.	Faith M. Kelloway
Apr. 6, Nashua	Rebecca Ann Jolly	Stuart M. Jolly	Joan E. Segal
Apr. 12, Nashua	Matthew John Thibault	John G. Thibault	Gail M. Lapointe
Apr. 14, Nashua	Casey Milne Bonus	Alan W. Bonus	Cheryl R. Milne
Apr. 14, Nashua	Jeremy Scott Milligan	Bryce R. Milligan	Christine M. Byam
Apr. 21, Concord	Brett Johnstone Gilmore	Jeremy F. Gilmore	Susan Tillotson
Apr. 21, Nashua	Kimberly Ann Blank	John A. Blank	Ingrid P. Bjork
Apr. 27, Milford	Megan Miles Chamberlain	Mark S. Chamberlain	Mary Lu Miles
May 11, Manchester	Courtney Rosholt Banghart	James M. Banghart, Jr.	Anne C. Belletete
May 13, Nashua	Joshua Fors Johnson	David F. Johnson	Lynda J. Peck
May 14, Peterborough	Erin Patricia Murphy	Michael S. Murphy	Susan M. Boecke

Date and Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
May 15, Nashua	Kevin Douglas Heaton	Robert M. Heaton	Susan D. Yeaw
May 19, Nashua	Scott Patrick Macbeth	Douglas P. Macbeth	Linda A. Seibold
May 20, Nashua	Jason Peter Campisi	Peter Campisi	Susan Vincent
May 27, Nashua	Robert Andrew Burns	William C. Burns	Ann L. Ballantyne
May 31, Nashua	Daniel Karl Morrey	Frank J. Morrey	Colleen J. Geiwitsch
June 16, Nashua	Jennifer Lyn Starr	Kevin M. Starr	Cathy Lyn Lowry
June 19, Peterborough	Abbe Katharine Bielagus	John F. Bielagus	Connie J. Livengood
June 30, Nashua	Kathryn Margaret Empie	Lewis F. Empie, Jr.	Marjorie I. Rozan
July 3, Nashua	Floyd Ellsworth Jaquay	Floyd A. Jaquay	Holly C. Howe
July 9, Nashua	Shawna Marie Bates	Richard S. Bates, Jr.	Carleen M. Miller
July 12, Concord	Joseph Eric Shanker Cristini	Joseph N. Cristini	Susan C. Shanker
July 15, Nashua	Joshua Ari Levine	Jeffrey E. Levine	Donna M. Sullivan
July 20, Nashua	Heather Ann MacLeod	James J. MacLeod	Jean M. Donnellan
July 29, Nashua	James Paul Bancroft	Robin F. Bancroft	Susan E. Melia
Aug. 6, Concord	Carey Walsh Bradbury	Samuel Bradbury IV	Linda J. Cauffman
Aug. 8, Nashua	Lee Ann Mather	Anthony C. Mather	Sheila A. Aube
Aug. 24, Manchester	Thomas Krekeler Baird	William E. Baird	Elizabeth G. Morgan
Aug. 28, Nashua	Maria Joanne Delano	Ronald H. Delano	Joan F. Ilaser
Sept. 3, Nashua	Brittany Lind Alexander	Alex T. Alexander	Linda S. McKernon
Sept. 19, Amherst	Andrew Joseph Severance	Franklin A. Severance	Mary J. Richards
Oct. 6, Nashua	Stephanie Julien	Michael Julien	Monique Viau
Oct. 10, Nashua	Matthew Robert Nawrocki	Joseph R. Nawrocki	Christine A. Strykowski
Oct. 10, Manchester	Chantelle Elizabeth Federspiel	Roland N. Federspiel	Ruth N. Frauenfeld
Oct. 14, Nashua	Brian Edward Moore	Roy E. Moore, Jr.	Sharon R. Nuechterlein
Oct. 15, Nashua	Brendan John Cullen	James J. Cullen	Eileen M. Barry
Oct. 29, Nashua	David Allen Blake	Ronny G. Blake	Carol J. Bracey
Oct. 31, Manchester	Heather Leigh Michie	James J. Michie	JoAnne E. Morris
Nov. 2, Nashua	Matthew West Purtell	Jeffrey F. Purtell	Deborah A. Sullivan
Nov. 15, Nashua	Mandi Jo Benjamin	Norman A. Benjamin	Susan D. Willrich
Nov. 15, Nashua	Jennifer Renee Gordon	James R. Gordon	Marlene J. Connolly
Nov. 20, Nashua	Molly Lawson	William K. Lawson III	Mary E. Scheer
Nov. 21, Nashua	Tyler Meade Dumont	Michael P. Dumont	Carol A. Willard
Nov. 22, Nashua	Alan David Ledoux, Jr.	Alan D. Ledoux, Sr.	Brenda L. Badas
Nov. 27, Nashua	Jeffrey Nathan Gleason	John L. Gleason	Janet L. Stewart
Dec. 1, Nashua	Jennifer Mary Garofalo	Frank J. Garofalo	Linda M. DuBeau
Dec. 6, Nashua	Stacy Elizabeth Eck	Robert L. Eck	Margaret E. Anderson
Dec. 7, Nashua	Thomas Gerard Bolton	Thomas A. Bolton	Ann Marie R. Desmarais

Date and Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Dec. 9, Nashua	Amy Kayser	Charles D. Kayser	Marcia Gould
Dec. 12, Nashua	Nicholas Carl Murray	Ronald C. Murray	Christine M. Cook
Dec. 13, Nashua	Michael Roger Tardiff	Roger A. Tardiff	Sally J. Holland
Dec. 13, Nashua	Karis Adamson Durner	Kris E. Durner	Lynda L. Mortlock
Dec. 15, Nashua	Travis Wayne Coleman	Arthur J. Coleman, Jr.	Bertha M. Robinson
Dec. 18, Nashua	Scott William Nelson	Ronald L. Nelson	Patricia L. Verwohl
Dec. 18, Nashua	Matthew John Payne	Herbert J. Payne	JoAnn M. Buckley
Dec. 24, Nashua	Elizabeth Ann Holland	Francis G. Holland	Sandra L. Colman
Dec. 30, Nashua	Andrew Russell Fetterman	Rodney W. Fetterman	Dawn L. Mitchell

## Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1978

Date and Place	Name of Deceased	Age	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Jan. 1, Amherst	Margaret M. Marsh	40	William W. Ballard	Margaret Macy
Jan. 8, Nashua	Joseph F. Fallomon	83	Frank Fallomon	Margaret McGlinn
Jan. 16, Nashua	Martin W. VanBuren	85	Martin VanBuren	Agatha U/K
Jan. 18, Nashua	Mary White	86	Philip White	Maria Phillip
Jan. 28, Arizona	Brita Evelyn Page	63	Benjamin Monson	Cecelia Eklund
Feb. 3, Manchester	Frederick Porter	48	Herbert Porter	Hazel Atherton
Feb. 4, Manchester	Harry B. Carter. Sr.	83	Henry Carter	Jennie Bennett
Feb. 11, Amherst	Harriet M. Shea	92	Frank Gurney	Minerva Stevens
Mar. 7, Nashua	Alida G. Bartlett	74	Hiram A. Glover	Rachel Holt
Mar. 12, Manchester	John W. Hagerty, Jr.	65	John W. Hagerty, Sr.	Ellen Cull
Mar. 20, Amherst	Roy Miller	49	Roman Miller	Josephine Orbaugh
Mar. 20, Bedford	Agnes Jewett	84	Charles Converse	Eliza Lindsay
Apr. 2, Amherst	Peter Constantine	80	Stephen Constantine	Pino Tsekos
Apr. 16, Manchester	Lena Spillman	85	Frederick Moser	Barbara Theus
Apr. 20, Milford	John Ward	65	Frank Ward	Sarah E. Mitchell
May 11, Amherst	Judith L. Dunlap	44	Paul V. Speer	Gladys U/K
May 27, Nashua	Richard Arnold	61	Andrew Arnold	Margaret Leavitt
June 2, Manchester	Ruth B. Wheeler	69	Newton C. Baker	Cora Ficks
June 18, Manchester	Benjamin F. Jacobson	85	Angelo Jacobson	Ida Christianson
June 24, Manchester	James W. Powers	49	Charles Powers	Nannie U/K
June 27, Milford	Frederick G. Hall	70	Frederick G. Hall, Sr.	Irinda Burton
July 8, Amherst	Williams D. Bailey	77	Roy D. Bailey	Maude Williams
July 22, Amherst	Harriette Woolson	77	Thomas Lewis	Susan Johnston
July 28, Nashua	Michael J. Paterno	74	Gaetano Paterno	Rose Civalle
Aug. 11, Nashua	Irene E. Fowler	60	Isiah Ward	Jennie Harris
Sept. 1, Manchester	Herbert I. Harding	62	Herbert W. Harding	Retta M. Howell
Sept. 9, Nashua	Helen Wiggan	77	U/K	U/K
Sept. 9, Nashua	Wilbert F. Parker	88	Fred Parker	Alice Holden
Sept. 24, Manchester	Melvin L. Ladd	77	Clarence Ladd	Emma Kimball
Sept. 26, Manchester	Rose A. Daudier	85	Napoleon Bastarache	Rebecca Girard
Oct. 5, Nashua	Phyllis G. French	77	Ernest LaFrance	Alice U/K
Oct. 30, Amherst	Ella M. Lebert	78	Harry Boutelle	Anna Whiting
Nov. 12, Manchester	Charles H. Hall	64	Frederick Hall	Irinda Burton
Nov. 25, Milford	Randolph Kruger	92	Louis E. Kruger	Harriet Randolph
Dec. 30, Amherst	Helen S. Nolte	78	U/K Smith	U/K



Brought From Away and Buried in Amherst, N.H.

Date and Place	Name of Deceased	Age	Name of Cemetery
Feb. 3, Hyannis, Ma.	Marjorie Carliss	51	Meadowview
Mar. 8, Milford	Lucy A. Lapointe	84	St. Patricks
Mar.14, Toledo, Ohio	Harold J. Chandler	76	Chestnut Hill
Mar.22, Portland, Me.	Arthur L. Goodale	94	Meadowview
Mar.23, Hollis	Hazel E. Stockwell	63	Meadowview
Apr. 2, Manchester	Vincent P. Brine	85	Meadowview
Apr. 2, Milford	Bertha I. Scruton	90	Meadowview
Apr. 4, Merrimack	Mary E. Marlott	84	Meadowview
Apr.12, Madisonville,Ky.	Henry T. Converse, Sr.	88	Meadowview
May 9, Milford	Hazel P. Romani	81	Meadowview
June30, Milford	John J. McEntee	82	St. Patricks
July11, So. Merrimack	Gordon J. Kirk	62	Meadowview
Aug.13, Concord	Charles Wetherbee	83	Meadowview
Oct. 7, Mont Vernon	Walter K. Weston	84	Cricket Corner Cem.
Nov. 5, Milford	Katherine M. Clarkin	80	St. Patricks
Nov.10, Boston, Ma.	Mary E. Boutelle	90	Meadowview
Dec.13, Milford	Winnifred Bartlett	89	Meadowview

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge.

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk  
December 31, 1978

## IN MEMORIAM

Man strives for glory, honor and fame that all the world may know his name. When he nears the end he finds that happiness depends but on the love of friends.

Herbert Harding, who served on the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission and the Lawrence Engine Company. He served also as Selectman of the Town.

Frederick Porter, who served as a Senator in the General Court of New Hampshire and served Amherst as a member of the Planning Board.

Reverend John Ward, who served as a bail commissioner of the Town of Amherst and as Chaplain of the Lawrence Engine Company.

Randolph Kruger, who served as Clerk and Treasurer of the Amherst Village District and served as Assistant Superintendent of the Amherst Village District.

ANNUAL REPORTS  
of the  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS  
of  
AMHERST N.H.  
for the  
Year Ending June 30, 1978

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Officers

1978 - 1979

School Board

Herbert C. Stearns	Term Expires 1979
Edith P. Carson	Term Expires 1980
Joseph H.S. Hoag	Term Expires 1980
Ann M. Logan	Term Expires 1981
Paul Rayment	Term Expires 1981

Alexander J. Blastos	Superintendent of Schools
Timothy S. Gormley	Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Lee Ann Wright	Financial Manager
Louise Ainsworth	Clerk - Treasurer
Creeley S. Buchanan	Moderator
Jan J. Tigchelaar, M.D.	School Physician
Hope Caulfield	School Nurse
Rosalie McGeoch	School Nurse
John Osborn	Attendance Officer
Killion, Plodzik, & Sanderson	Auditors

# SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

Polls Will Open at 7:00 A.M. - Will Not Close Before 7:00 P.M.

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Amherst qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School in said district on the thirteenth day of March 1979, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose one member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 12th day of February 1979.

Herbert C. Stearns  
Edith P. Carson  
Joseph H.S. Hoag  
Ann M. Logan  
Paul Rayment  
School Board

A True copy of Warrant - Attest:

Herbert C. Stearns  
Edith P. Carson  
Joseph H.S. Hoag  
Ann M. Logan  
Paul Rayment  
School Board

## SCHOOL WARRANT

### The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Amherst qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School in said district on the ninth day of March 1979, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district.

2. To hear the reports of agents, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

3. To choose agents, and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

4. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for, receive, and expend in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or from the State of New Hampshire or from any other state or private agency.

5. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate sufficient monies to fund all cost items relating to increases in teachers salaries and benefits for the 1979 - 1980 school year, which result from negotiations with the teachers, and represent negotiated increases over this years salaries and benefits.

6. To see what sum of money the School District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries and benefits for School District officials, employees and agents, other than increased salaries and benefits payable to teachers, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the district.

7. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 12th day of February, 1979.

Herbert Stearns  
Edith P. Carson  
Joseph H.S. Hoag  
Ann M. Logan  
Paul Rayment                      School Board

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

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## REPORT OF THE AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD

The past year has been one of consolidation for reasons of reorganization, personnel changes, and new undertakings. This narrative usually recognizes persons and achievements, and in effect capsulizes the school year as it relates to board activities. Some years show remarkable strides, and others are business as usual. For reasons of brevity, we are not going to mention names, otherwise noted in less prominent records, and concentrate on events of interest and historical note.

Early in the year, we welcomed a new superintendent and assistant superintendent to Union #41, which was organized to include a financial manager to serve Amherst as well as Brookline and Hollis. Locally, we organized to have a principal for each of the elementary schools, and a principal and assistant principal for the Middle School.

By vote of the State Board of Education on April 17, 1978, a new supervisory union for Amherst only was established, which will be Supervisory Union #39, effective July 1, 1979. The Search Committee negotiated a three-year lease for housing the new union at The Fairways on Boston Post Road near the Amherst Country Club.

State legislative action has put into effect the New Hampshire Accountability Plan which calls for a management plan of annual curriculum review and updating by June 1981 to accomplish desired results as formulated by a local committee. This committee is at work with sub-committee assignments in the mandated areas of Language Arts, Mathematics, U.S. History and Government and New Hampshire History and Government.

Areas which have been closely monitored this past year include Federal programs such as Project Adolescence, Project Pride, Plan 142 and the disadvantaged students. The latter program is tied closely with the Special Education Consortium, which provides complete evaluation, placement, and services to the special needs students.

In cooperation with the Population Study Committee and the Amherst School Building Advisory Committee, a close watch has been kept on student growth and building needs. The plans for a new elementary school have been delayed for at least a year, and the advisability of additional classroom space will depend upon on-going studies. Explorations are still being pursued with surrounding towns, although at this time, we are looking ahead to the possibility of an Amherst High School for occupancy in 1986, when the revised A.R.E.A. plan terminates.

Dedication of two new rooms and storage, office and reception space at the Clark School took place on November 22, 1978. Congratulations are in order to the building committee, the architect and the contractor for the fine addition and renovation of our oldest facility. Modernization of all rooms was effected with much input from the teachers and administrators.

The foregoing business as usual requires unusual dedication and time commitments for the board and the administration. We extend our appreciation to the administration, staff, and teachers for their assistance and their devotion to the tasks which are so important to the education of Amherst youngsters. We are grateful to the citizens and committee members who have faithfully supported the board and its endeavor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Herbert Stearns, Chairman

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER

(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978)

Louise Ainsworth, Treasurer

In account with the Amherst School District

## General Fund

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1977	\$ 185,574.24
Board of Selectmen	
Current Appropriation	2,979,219.55
Revenue from State Sources	107,272.18
Revenue from Federal Sources	61,580.21
Received from Trust Funds	1,245.38
Received from all other Sources	<u>18,122.63</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$3,353,014.19
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>3,208,596.97</u>
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1978	\$ 144,417.22

## Adult Education Program

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1977	\$222.50
Received from all other Sources	<u>25.00</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$247.50
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>247.50</u>
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1978	0.00

## Emotionally Disturbed Program

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1977	\$893.53
Receipts	<u>0.00</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$893.53
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>205.12</u>
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1978	\$688.41

## Clark School Addition

Received from Sale of Notes & Bonds	\$265,000.00
Received from all other Sources	<u>7,309.58</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$272,309.59
Less School Board Orders Paid	<u>12,817.59</u>
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1978	\$259,491.99



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December 5, 1978

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUDITOR'S OPINION

We have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Amherst School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1978.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The School District does not maintain a record of fixed assets. Accordingly, a report of this type fund was not included within the scope of this audit.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of sources of revenue and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Amherst School District at June 30, 1978, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a consistent basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Killion, Plodzik & Sanderson

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AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET 1979 - 80

Account Number and Description	1977-1978	1977-1978	1978-1979	1979-1980
	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Proposed
100 Series Administration	\$ 6,735.00	\$ 7,887.72	\$ 9,940.00	\$ 118,540.00
200 Series Instruction	1,355,962.00	1,325,800.07	1,549,320.00	1,597,823.00
300 Series Attendance	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
400 Series Health Services	14,806.00	15,040.43	20,701.00	21,126.00
500 Series Transportation	139,450.00	143,967.78	212,030.00	246,365.00
600 Series Operation of Plant	177,318.00	174,908.13	202,160.00	208,048.00
700 Series Maintenance of Plant	33,038.00	24,736.08	50,137.00	45,320.00
800 Series Fixed Charges	120,805.00	111,666.99	134,367.00	152,523.00
900 Series Federal Lunch	17,000.00	25,958.84	25,000.00	90,000.00
1000 Series Student Body Activities	5,150.00	5,050.00	5,150.00	5,400.00
1100 Series Community Activities	2,650.00	2,819.49	2,000.00	2,000.00
1200 Series Capital Outlay	32,315.00	29,801.80	36,935.00	21,985.00
1300 Series Debt Service	368,525.00	368,510.00	458,670.00	443,551.30
1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts	927,514.47	866,767.84	1,018,847.18	1,050,838.00
1800 Series Contingency	5,000.00	560.40	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Budget	\$3,206,318.47	\$3,103,525.77	\$3,730,307.18	\$4,008,569.30

Salary Increases and fringe benefits have not been included.

Budget will be printed in supplement form with more detail.

REVENUE	Approved by Tax Commission 1977-78	Actual 1977-78	Approved by Tax Commission 1978-79	Proposed 1979-80
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 101,273.89	\$ 101,273.89	\$ 112,279.42	\$ 50,000.00
Sweepstakes	30,141.62	30,141.62	48,234.20	48,000.00
School Building Aid	69,483.41	71,432.81	99,932.81	99,000.00
Foster Children Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
School Lunch & Special Milk	16,000.00	25,958.84	25,000.00	90,000.00
Trust Fund Income	1,200.00	1,245.38	1,200.00	1,200.00
Rent	2,500.00	1,080.16	2,500.00	2,500.00
Investment Revenue	2,500.00	12,002.26	2,500.00	2,500.00
PL 874	0.00	23,691.09	0.00	20,000.00
State Gas	4,000.00	2,739.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Other Revenue from Local Sources	0.00	10.05	0.00	0.00
Other Revenue from State Sources	0.00	2,958.75	0.00	0.00
Title VI	0.00	4,168.90	0.00	0.00
Other Revenue from Federal Sources	0.00	11,930.28	0.00	0.00
State Support Supt. Salaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
Total Revenue and Credits	\$ 227,098.92	\$ 288,633.03	\$ 295,646.43	\$ 319,700.00
District Assessment	\$2,979,219.55		\$3,434,660.75	\$3,688,869.30
Total Appropriation	\$3,206,318.47		\$3,730,307.18	\$4,008,569.30

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

### Report of the Superintendent

It is with great pleasure that I submit my first annual report to you, the citizens of Amherst.

This has been a year that has been most productive in the areas of accountability, staff development, gifted education, special needs, reorganization, and curriculum development (as outlined in the principals' reports).

The School Board, the administration, the staff, and the various committee members have worked long hours with one ultimate goal in mind, that being providing the best educational program for our young citizens.

This is the last year that Amherst will be part of Supervisory Union #41, as per the State Board of Education's action last April, 1978; Amherst will be its own Supervisory Union, that being Supervisory Union #39, commencing July 1, 1979.

The citizens of Amherst should be extremely proud of their school system. The administration and staff have been working diligently in updating and improving the curriculum in order to provide quality educational experiences for the children of Amherst.

The School Board has had the foresight to establish various committees to deal with such matters as existing space utilization, population, the high school question, just to name a few. The information developing from these various committees will provide the School Board with the essential data to help them make the kinds of decisions that will be extremely important to the community and its schools in future years.

I would like to thank the citizens of Amherst for their support and assistance of our schools.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexander J. Blastos

## AMHERST SCHOOLS PRINCIPALS' REPORT

Under the guidance of building committee chairman, Craig Nelson, renovations and an addition to the Clark School have been completed. The Clark School is now a primary unit composed of all Readiness and grade one classes sensitive to the needs of early childhood education.

The Wilkins School encompasses grades two through four and serves as home base for the teacher of our new gifted education program - project PRIDE.

The Middle School, consisting of grades five through eight, has added an assistant principal, Mr. Michael Palmer. The student population continues to grow, in this our fifth year, and is expected to be 820 pupils by the end of the school year.

We would like to take this opportunity to highlight some activities in our schools and acquaint you with some future plans.

A new Language Arts program developed in the summer of 1978 has been implemented in all grades. Our plans for the summer of 1979 are to review and revise our Social Studies programs in grades Readiness through eight.

Project Adolescent, a shared project with four other New Hampshire Districts, with a goal of an improved school curriculum for all students based on an understanding of age and learner characteristics, has begun its in-service phase at the Middle School.

Through a grant to Nature's Classroom, our eighth graders had a second camp experience. This was a one-time grant. We expect our environmental camp experience will focus solely on grade six in the future. In-service programs are ongoing in each of our schools; and we are involved in rewriting our Master Plan for Staff Development, which is the process used to recertify our professional staff members. A design for carrying out the State Mandated Accountability program has been completed, and 1981 will find us culminating our activities in Accountability with a management plan focusing on our curriculum in English Language Arts, Mathematics, United States History and Government and New Hampshire History and Government.

Many organizations have come to the aid of our schools this year. For example, some of the PTA activities have been: sponsoring "the international year of the child" activities at the Clark School, bringing staff of the Squam Lake Science Center to the Wilkins School, assemblies at the Middle School, sponsoring the dedication of the Clark School, and numerous other activities.

The Amherst Lions Club has cleaned the Clark School playground, replacing, repairing, and repainting equipment. The Womens' Club, School Volunteer Program, Jaycees, Home Room Mothers and other groups have been active making our schools a better learning environment for students.

The success of our schools is due to many people: the staffs in our buildings, the central office, the School Board, parents, students, service organizations, indeed, the community as a whole that provides the financial support for our total school program. We wish to express our sincere thanks for all their efforts.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Collins, Amherst Middle School  
Herbert Oliver, Wilkins School  
Stan Szabunka, Clark School

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE

## AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978

Total Receipts	\$3,352,152.93
Total Expenditures	<u>3,207,735.71</u>
General Fund Balance	\$ 144,417.22

### RECEIPTS IN DETAIL

Revenue from Local Sources		
Current Appropriations		\$2,979,219.55
Other Revenue from Local Sources		
Earnings from permanent funds and Endowments	\$ 1,245.38	
Earnings from Temporary Deposits and Investments	12,002.26	
Rent	1,080.16	
Other	<u>10.05</u>	
		14,337.85

Revenue from State Sources		
School Building Aid	\$71,432.81	
Sweepstakes	30,141.62	
Foster Children Aid	400.00	
Other Revenue from State Sources	<u>5,697.75</u>	
		107,272.18

Revenue from Federal Sources		
School Lunch & Special Milk	\$25,958.84	
Public Law 874	23,691.09	
Title VI	4,168.90	
Other Revenue from Federal Sources	<u>11,930.28</u>	
		<u>65,749.11</u>
		\$3,166,578.69

Cash on Hand at beginning of Year		
July 1, 1977		
General Fund		<u>185,574.24</u>
Total Net Receipts		\$3,352,152.93

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL  
July 1, 1977 - June 30, 1978

100 Series Administration		
110 Salaries of Officers	\$3,400.21	
135 Contracted Services	1,141.37	
190 Other Expenses	<u>3,346.14</u>	\$ 7,887.72
200 Series Instruction		
210 Salaries	\$1,238,747.76	
215 Textbooks	16,154.30	
220 School Libraries & A.V.	22,409.57	
230 Teaching Supplies	44,598.34	
235 Contracted Services	16,844.68	
290 Other Expenses	<u>7,107.56</u>	\$1,345,862.21
300 Series Attendance Services		\$ 50.00
400 Series Health Services		
410 Salaries	\$13,790.06	
490 Other Expenses	<u>1,250.37</u>	\$ 15,040.43
500 Series Transportation		
535 Contracted Services	\$129,900.00	
590 Other Expenses	<u>14,427.78</u>	\$ 144,327.78
600 Series Operation of Plant		
610 Salaries	\$66,194.33	
630 Supplies, Except Utilities	11,859.39	
635 Contracted Services	4,719.55	
640 Heat for Buildings	59,354.26	
645 Utilities, Except Heat	<u>37,744.96</u>	\$ 179,872.49
700 Series Maintenance of Plant		
725 Replacement of Equipment	\$ 1,449.19	
726 Repairs to Equipment	1,218.34	
735 Contracted Services	21,788.50	
766 Repairs to Buildings	8,756.33	
790 Other Expenses	<u>0.00</u>	\$ 33,212.36
800 Series Fixed Charges		
850.1 Employees' Retirement System	\$ 2,068.49	
850.2 Teachers' Retirement System	22,036.99	
850.3 F.I.C.A.	75,339.75	
855 Insurance	<u>12,029.35</u>	\$ 111,474.58
900 Series School Lunch & Special Milk		\$ 25,958.84

1000 Series Student Body Activities		\$	5,050.00
1100 Series Community Activities		\$	2,875.51
1200 Series Capital Outlay		\$	31,466.80
1300 Series Debt Service			
1370 Principal of Debt	\$235,000.00		
1371 Interest on Debt	<u>133,510.00</u>		
		\$	368,510.00
1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts			
1477.1 Tuition	\$810,886.67		
1477.3 Supervisory Union Share	57,616.47		
1479.1 Tuition to Private			
Nonsectarian Schools	42,887.92		
1479.2 Transportation to Private			
Nonsectarian Schools	<u>24,755.93</u>		
		\$	<u>936,146.99</u>
Grand Total Net Expenditures			\$3,207,735.71



## BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1978

### ASSETS

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1978	
General Fund	\$144,417.22
Emotionally Disturbed Fund	<u>688.41</u>
Total Assets and Grand Total	\$145,105.63

### LIABILITIES

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1978	
Emotionally Disturbed Fund	\$ 688.41
Accounts Owed by District	
Accounts Payable	<u>32,137.80</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 32,826.21
Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)	<u>112,279.42</u>
Grand Total	\$145,105.63

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from the official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the Department of Revenue Administration.

Herbert C. Stearns  
Edith B. Carson  
Joseph H.S. Hoag  
Ann M. Logan  
Paul Rayment  
School Board

Alexander J. Blastos, Superintendent

August 7, 1978

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL BONDS

Amherst Middle

Bonds issued in \$5,000 denominations  
Coupons payable February 1 and August 1  
Principal Maturing: 1974 - 1993  
Rate: 4.80%

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
8-1-73/2-1-78	\$432,000	\$18,000,000	\$500,000
8-1-78	36,000	1,500,000	--
2-1-79	36,000	1,500,000	100,000
8-1-79	33,600	1,400,000	--
2-1-80	33,600	1,400,000	100,000
8-1-80	31,200	1,300,000	--
2-1-81	31,200	1,300,000	100,000
8-1-81	28,800	1,200,000	--
2-1-82	28,800	1,200,000	100,000
8-1-82	26,400	1,100,000	--
2-1-83	26,400	1,100,000	100,000
8-1-83	24,000	1,000,000	--
2-1-84	24,000	1,000,000	100,000
8-1-84	21,600	900,000	--
2-1-85	21,600	900,000	100,000
8-1-85	19,200	800,000	--
2-1-86	19,200	800,000	100,000
8-1-86	16,800	700,000	--
2-1-87	16,800	700,000	100,000
8-1-87	14,400	600,000	--
2-1-88	14,400	600,000	100,000
8-1-88	12,000	500,000	--
2-1-89	12,000	500,000	100,000
8-1-89	9,600	400,000	--
2-1-90	9,600	400,000	100,000
8-1-90	7,200	300,000	--
2-1-91	7,200	300,000	100,000
8-1-91	4,800	200,000	--
2-1-92	4,800	200,000	100,000
8-1-92	2,400	100,000	--
2-1-93	2,400	100,000	100,000

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL BONDS

Amherst Wilkins Original

Bonds issued in \$5,000 denominations except \$2,000 due September 15,  
1966 issued in \$1,000 denominations

Coupons payable March 15 and September 15.

Principal Maturing: 1966 - 1980

Rate: 3.30%      Coupon Amount:      \$16.50 - \$1,000      \$82.50 - \$5,000

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
3-15-66/3-15-78	\$135,118.50	\$8,189,000	\$334,000
9-15-78	1,732.50	105,000	35,000
3-15-79	1,155.00	70,000	--
9-15-79	1,155.00	70,000	35,000
3-15-80	577.50	35,000	--
9-15-80	577.50	35,000	35,000

Amherst Middle Addition

Bonds issued on March 15, 1974 in \$5,000 denominations

Coupons payable September 15 and March 15.

Principal Maturing: 1974 - 1989

Rate: 5.00%

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
9-15-74/3-15-78	\$170,500	\$6,820,000	\$260,000
9-15-78	17,250	690,000	--
3-15-79	17,250	690,000	65,000
9-15-79	15,625	625,000	--
3-15-80	15,625	625,000	65,000
9-15-80	14,000	560,000	--
3-15-81	14,000	560,000	65,000
9-15-81	12,375	495,000	--
3-15-82	12,375	495,000	65,000
9-15-82	10,750	430,000	--
3-15-83	10,750	430,000	65,000
9-15-83	9,125	365,000	--
3-15-84	9,125	365,000	65,000
9-15-84	7,500	300,000	--
3-15-85	7,500	300,000	60,000
9-15-85	6,000	240,000	--
3-15-86	6,000	240,000	60,000
9-15-86	4,500	180,000	--
3-15-87	4,500	180,000	60,000
9-15-87	3,000	120,000	--
3-15-88	3,000	120,000	60,000
9-15-88	1,500	60,000	--
3-15-89	1,500	60,000	60,000

AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL BONDS

Amherst Classroom Addition, Wilkins

Bonds issued in \$5,000 denominations.  
Coupons payable March 15 and September 15.  
Principal Maturing: 1970 - 1984  
Rate: 6.5%

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
3-15-70/3-15-78	\$155,512.50	\$4,785,000	\$205,000
9-15-78	5,687.50	175,000	25,000
3-15-79	4,875.00	150,000	--
9-15-79	4,875.00	150,000	25,000
3-15-80	4,062.50	125,000	--
9-15-80	4,062.50	125,000	25,000
3-15-81	3,250.00	100,000	--
9-15-81	3,250.00	100,000	25,000
3-15-82	2,437.50	75,000	--
9-15-82	2,437.50	75,000	25,000
3-15-83	1,625.00	50,000	--
9-15-83	1,625.00	50,000	25,000
3-15-84	812.50	25,000	--
9-15-84	812.50	25,000	25,000

Amherst Multi-Purpose Room, Wilkins

Bonds issued on August 1, 1968 in \$5,000 denominations.  
Coupons payable February 1, and August 1.  
Principal Maturing: 1969 - 1983  
Rate: 4.20%  
Coupon Amount: \$105.00 - \$5,000

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
2-1-69/2-1-78	\$44,940.00	\$2,140,000	\$110,000
8-1-78	1,260.00	60,000	10,000
2-1-79	1,050.00	50,000	--
8-1-79	1,050.00	50,000	10,000
2-1-80	840.00	40,000	--
8-1-80	840.00	40,000	10,000
2-1-81	630.00	30,000	--
8-1-81	630.00	30,000	10,000
2-1-82	420.00	20,000	--
8-1-82	420.00	20,000	10,000
2-1-83	210.00	10,000	--
8-1-83	210.00	10,000	10,000

# AMHERST SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Financial Statement  
July 1, 1977 to June 30, 1978

Beginning Balance - July 1, 1977		\$11,089.52
Receipts		
Lunch Sales - Children	\$53,688.55	
Lunch Sales - Adults	5,066.70	
Reimbursement	<u>24,532.74</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>\$83,287.99</u>
Total Available		\$94,377.51
Expenditures		
Food	\$45,772.21	
Labor	34,081.88	
Equipment	3,516.43	
All Other Expenditures	<u>3,468.98</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>\$86,839.50</u>
Balance June 30, 1978		\$ 7,538.01
Other Program Resources:		
USDA Commodities Received		
(Wholesale Value) \$8,341.00		

## BALANCE SHEET Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1978

Assets:		
Cash in Bank		\$ 7,538.01
Food Inventory - June 30		945.60
Supplies Inventory - June 30		<u>375.00</u>
Total Assets		\$ 8,858.61
Liabilities:		
Other Accounts Payable		<u>\$ 7,272.52</u>
Total Liabilities		\$ 7,272.52
Working Capital		<u>1,586.09</u>
Total Liabilities and Working Capital		\$ 8,858.61

Shirley V. Copeland, Lunch Director

SUPERVISORY UNION #41  
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES 1977 - 1978

A.	Superintendent		
	State Share		\$ 2,500.00
	Local Share		
	Amherst	\$12,821.06	
	Brookline	2,046.80	
	Hollis	<u>8,932.14</u>	
			<u>\$23,800.00</u>
			\$26,300.00
B.	Assistant Superintendent		
	State Share		\$ 1,456.50
	Local Share		
	Amherst	\$ 9,146.90	
	Brookline	1,455.83	
	Hollis	<u>5,940.77</u>	
			<u>\$16,543.50</u>
			\$18,000.00
C.	Business Administrator		
	State Share		\$ 1,456.50
	Local Share		
	Amherst	\$ 9,146.90	
	Brookline	1,455.83	
	Hollis	<u>5,940.77</u>	
			<u>\$16,543.50</u>
			\$18,000.00

# AMHERST MASH GRADUATES

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Allison J. Alden  
 Randy Alan Arends  
 Douglas A. Austen\*  
 Robert Benuck  
 Douglas J. Bowler  
 Michael Boyle  
 Patricia A. Brennan  
 Sandra Brewer  
 Fred B. Bullwinkel  
 Kathleen Ann Cahill  
 Bradford Calhoun  
 Susan G. Callahan  
 Heather Anne Campman  
 Susan Carroll  
 Candace A. Carson  
 Susan L. Carter  
 Karen Chandler  
 Laurie Dawn Chenard  
 Stephen B. Chrane  
 Loehr W. Clark, III  
 Mark A. Clements  
 Scott Clites\*  
 Patrick M. Conran\*  
 Jeffrey C. Cordts  
 Scott Charles Cross  
 Susan J. Cuthbertson\*  
 Erica A. Descareau\*  
 John Michael Devlin\*  
 Douglas Dinkel  
 Annette Dove  
 Linda Drake  
 Deborah Jean Dyer  
 John M. Edwards  
 Jeffrey Reed Evons  
 Lauren Beth Ezequelle  
 Scott W. Fedas  
 Laurie Ann Filter  
 Sharon Foulkes  
 Adrienne L. Gall  
 Lee Ann Gardner\*  
 Patricia Jean Glennon  
 Kathleen Mary Gorman\*  
 Rebeca Joyce Hall  
 Lucretia H. Harrison\*  
 Roseann G. Heinemann  
 Lori B. Hendrickson  
 Jeffrey B. Hill  
 Douglas M. Howe

Bruce Robert Huebner\*  
 Timothy Stuart Hupfer  
 Michael G. Jannery\*  
 Peter Johnson\*  
 Richard Emory Jones  
 Amy Anna Kamieniecki  
 Paul Kelley  
 Christine Knight  
 Lori Ann Kulin  
 Deborah Kustes  
 Laura E. Lathrop  
 Susan LeBlanc  
 Deborah A. LeDoux  
 Claire Levesque  
 Steven G. Lewis  
 David L'Homme  
 Roberta Jean Long  
 Hugh A. Lottinger  
 Julie B. Lovell\*  
 Sarah V. Lown  
 Douglas Charles Lyon  
 Gregg MacKenzie  
 Scott D. MacKenzie\*  
 Monique E. Martel  
 Arch G. Martin  
 Donna-Jo Mason  
 Catherine J. McMahon  
 John A. McNally  
 Sharry Ann McNally  
 Michael Mercier  
 Ronald Stephen Miolla  
 Raymond P. Morrisette  
 Cheryl A. Morton  
 Craig S. Morton  
 Nancy Moulton  
 Betty Ann Nichols  
 Gwendolyn Niedrack  
 Drew Richard O'Brien  
 Elizabeth O'Neill  
 John L. Ouellet  
 Alexander A. Pal  
 Richard F. Peno  
 Elaine A. Peterson  
 Gregory W. Pierce  
 Charles Edwards Powell  
 James W. Powers  
 Lucinda Isabel Pratt  
 Tracy Pucillo

Charles S. Pullar  
Michael Vincent John Quinlan  
Lisa E. Robbins  
Diane M. Roy  
Andrew D. Russell  
Margaret Schletter  
Melanie Schletter  
Renee S. Scribner  
Kathryn L. Shallman  
Karen Schildneck\*  
Carrie A. Smith  
Marjorie C. Smith  
John Snow  
Glenn R. Spargo\*  
Pamela J. Stearns  
Julie E. Stewart  
Justine S. Stinson

Jeffrey H. Strobel  
Jay Charles Sugar  
Linda S. Threlfall  
Filip Hunter Thurston  
Philip J. Trasatti  
Anne Scott Treadwell  
Christine Tschudi-Madsen  
Robin Tyrrell  
Penny I. Walker  
Reginald G. Walker III  
Jill April Waterman  
Jo Ann M. Whittemore  
Julie M. Wiswell  
Paul A. Young  
Susan J. Young  
Deborah L. Ziegler  
Rosemarie Julia Zund

\*National Honor Society



# SCHOOL CENSUS REPORT

1978 - 1979

Ages as of 9/1/78										
	Total	Boys	Girls	Public Schools Within the District	Public Schools Outside the District	Parochial Schools Within the District	Parochial Schools Outside the District	Private Schools Within the District	Private Schools Outside the District	Completed Elem. School but not High School
less than										
1	65	29	36							
1	96	49	47							
2	83	42	41							
3	89	46	43							
4	111	65	46					66	1	
5	138	70	68	4				100	3	
6	132	70	62	128			1		3	
7	187	105	82	184					3	
8	192	94	98	188			1		3	
9	216	110	106	209	2				5	
10	202	94	108	196	2		1		3	
11	235	129	106	229			1		5	
12	178	95	83	177					1	
13	198	108	90	186	6		4		2	
14	206	124	82	9	157		32		8	
15	209	111	98		168		29		12	
16	215	102	113		167		26		18	4
17	188	95	93		132		12		26	5
18	153	80	73		13		4		71	6
										13
										59
Total	3093	1618	1475	1510	647		111	166	164	15
										72

TEACHER ROSTER  
CLARK SCHOOL

Name	Exp.	Assign.	College	Degree
Szabunka, Stanley	15	Principal	Boston University	M.Ed.
Bauer, Margaret	2	Music	Boston University	M.A.
L'Homme, Barbara	1	Grade 2	Keene State College	B.S.
Lovell, Eleanor	5	Readiness	Simmons College	B.S.
Maston, Linda	5	Readiness	Lesley College	B.S.
McEnnis, Shirley	10	Grade 1	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Piotrowski, Suzanne	7	Grade 1	Rivier College	B.A.
Pollack, Melissa	2	Grade 1	Alfred University	B.A.
Prescott, Mary	3	Art	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.
Salta, Nichola	3	Grade 1	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Spencer, Lynn	2	Grade 3	Northeastern University	B.S.
St. Armand, Gerard	3	Grade 3	Salem State College	B.S.
Trudo, Christina	12	Readiness	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Waskewicz, Joan	3	Phys. Ed.	Keene State College	B.S.
Witham, Joan	9	Gifted	Salem State College	M.Ed.
Zis, Cassandra	8	Grade 1	Keene State College	M.Ed.
<u>WILKINS SCHOOL</u>				
Oliver, Herbert	13	Principal	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Abbot, Pamela	8	Grade 3	Keene State College	B.E.
April, David	2	Phys. Ed.	Plymouth State College	B.S.
Barlick, Michael	6	Grade 4	Keene State College	B.E.
Barry, Patricia	5	Grade 2	Westfield State College	B.S.
Bean, Sandra	15	Grade 2	Keene State College	B.E.
Brockway, Margarite	10	Music	American University	M.A.
Burns, Michelle	1	Grade 3	Keene State College	B.A.
Chicoine, Carolyn	12	Grade 4	Univ. of Vermont	B.S.
Collins, Patricia	11	Grade 2	State College at Boston	B.S.
Corallino, Doris	9	Grade 5	Salisbury State College	M.E.
DeCamp, Carolyn	3	L.D.	Fitchnurg State College	B.S.
Delisle, Laurette	9	Grade 3	Rivier College	B.A.
Demers, Sara	2	Grade 2	Keene State College	B.A.
Dwyer, Richard	2	Reading Cons.	Suffolk University	M.Ed.
Dyer, Sara	12	Grade 2	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Hardcastle, Catherine	12	Grade 1	University of Maine	B.S.
Head, Nancy	12	L.D.	Keene State College	M.Ed.
Keenan, Maureen	3	Grade 4	Rivier College	B.A.
Lambarth, Addie Ann	8	Grade 4	Plattsburgh State Coll.	M.S.
Lathrop, Cynthia	15	Grade 4	Skidmore College	B.S.
Luhrs, Kathryn	2	Grade 3	Boston College	B.A.
McCormack, Margaret	14	Grade 4	Keene State College	B.E.
McGovern, Lee	4	Grade 3	Salem State College	B.S.
McIntyre, Kathleen	2	Librarian	Univ. of Pittsburgh	M.L.S.
McKeown, Teresita	21	Grade 2	Univ. of The Philippines	M.A.
Nason, Julie	6	Grade 4	Univ. of Connecticut	M.A.
Robinson, Paulina	6	Grade 4	Plymouth State College	B.S.
Rondo, Audrey	13	Grade 2	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.
Scagnelli, Janet	6	Grade 3	Rivier College	B.A.
Tendler, Roberta	9	Grade 2	American University	M.E.
Tyrrell, JoAn	11	Art	Texas Western University	B.A.
Webb, Ann	4	Grade 2	Trenton State College	B.S.

TEACHER ROSTER  
Amherst Middle School

Name	Exp.	Assign.	College	Degree
Collins, Paul	20	Principal	State College at Boston	M.E.
Palmer, Michael	6	Asst.Prin.	Boston University	M.E.
Arvanitis, James	9	8th	Plymouth State College	B.S.
Bacon, Jeryl	3	6th	Keene State College	B.S.
Barry, Marilyn	6	Art	Syracuse University	B.F.A.
Burrall, Leigh	4	Soc.St.	Fitchburg State College	B.S.
Burrall, Linda	2	Soc.St.	Fitchburg State College	B.S.
Caron, Lucie	4	Fr/Span	Rivier College	B.A.
Carper, Charlene	2	Soc.St.	Illinois State University	B.S.
Chernoff, Marsha	7	5th	City College of N.Y.	M.S.
Cormier, Roger	3	Ind.Arts	Fitchburg State College	B.S.
DeCamp, Gene	4	Soc. St.	Fitchburg State College	B.S.
Floryan, Kathleen	4	Phys.Ed.	Univ. of Maine	B.S.Ed
Foley, James	1	Music	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.Mus.
Fuller, Patricia	4	6th	Plymouth State College	B.S.
Giarusso, Samuel	1	5th	Plymouth State College	B.S.
Hamel, Donna	4	Fr/Span	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Hendershot, Darlene	9	English	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Husbands, James	5	5th	Suffolk University	M.A.
Jonson, Arthur	3	Math	Bates College	B.A.
Kenne, Joyce	14	Librarian	Eastern Michigan Univ.	B.S.
Kiley, Mary Ellen	3	English	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Lang, Janet	3	5th	Fitchburg State College	B.A.
Langille, Kyle	4	Home Ec.	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.
Manley, Jonathan	6	Science	Keene State College	B.E.
Martin, Mary Alyce	18	6th	Boston College	M.Ed
Maruszewski, Paul	3	Phys.Ed.	Springfield College	B.S.
McCullough, Bruce	9	Science	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.A.T.
McMurray, Philip	5	7th	Fitchburg State College	B.A.
Nielsen, Elden	16	Music	Mankato State College	M.S.
O'Keefe, Judith	10	Science	Framingham State College	M.Ed.
Pappas, Stephanie	3	6th	Salem State College	B.S.
Pena, Michael	12	6th	Lyndon State College	B.E.
Pichette, Noella	15	French	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Pritchard, Carleen	2	Music	Seton Hill College	B.A.
Reid, Ronald	6	Art	SUNY at Buffalo	B.S.
Roberts, Patricia	10	5th	Ohio State University	B.S.
Scollin, George	8	Guid.	Salem State College	Ed.M.
Shaw, Elizabeth	25	English	Tufts University	B.A.
Sirois, Diane	10	5th	Rivier College	B.A.
Sullivan, Christine	4	L.D.	Boston College	A.B.
Treadwell, Joan	10	6th	Wellesley	B.A.
Tumas, Paul	4	Soc.St.	University of Maine	M.A.
Vassar, Richard	2	6th	Fitchburg State College	B.S.Ed
Walter, John	9	Science	Keene State College	B.E.
Whitegiver, Licia	7	Home Ec.	Cornell	B.S.

## SYNOPSIS OF ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

March 10, 1978

The annual meeting of the Amherst School District at the Wilkins School was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on March 10, 1978 by Moderator Creeley Buchanan. A prayer was offered by Rev. Arnold Johnson and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Dorothy Davis. There were 146 voters admitted by check list supervisors Audrey Spalding, Constance George, and Robert Wishart.

Mr. Buchanan read the call but dispensed with the reading of the warrant articles until each was to be considered.

Article 1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district.

Mr. Joseph Hoag moved that this article be passed over, and acted upon under Article 6. Seconded and Passed.

Article 2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Mrs Ann Logan moved that we accept all reports as printed in the Town Report. Seconded and Passed.

Article 3. To choose agents, auditors, and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

Mrs. Edith Carson moved that this article be passed over and acted upon after Article 5. Seconded and Passed.

Article 4. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and receive in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any other state or private agency.

Mr. Hoag moved the question as read. Seconded and Passed.

Article 5. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 and authorize the School Board to employ an architect to prepare preliminary drawings and cost estimates for a new elementary school.

Mr. Herbert Stearns moved the question as read. Seconded.

Mr. Pomerleau noted that a 7-man committee would be chosen by the board and the Moderator would select an architect. The fee would include basic drawings for a school to be built on the 65 acres which the district owns at the site of the Middle School. He also spoke of the growth of Amherst since 1965 and the Board Policy of a 20/1 ratio in the 1st and 2nd grades and a 25/1 in grades 3 and 4. He stated that the Board felt the need would be apparent by the 1979 annual district meeting, but if growth slowed, the building could be delayed a year, with a standard inflation percentage added to estimates. The charge to the committee and the architect will be for a functional and practical building with information so the district could make

a logical and reasonable judgement. A voice vote was in doubt and a division called for. The standing vote showed 122 voted, 85 in the affirmative, and 37 in the negative. Motion Passed.

Article 3. Mrs. Logan moved that the School Board and Moderator appoint a seven member committee to plan for a new elementary school. Seconded and Passed.

Herbert Stearns moved that Orson Bragdon and Garrett Cowenhoven be chosen as school auditors. Seconded and Passed.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district.

Mr. Stearns moved that \$3,715,307.18 be raised and appropriated. Mr. Pomerleau noted the areas where the most increases in the budget occurred and explained that the increases in the salary account, which includes retirement, social security, etc., reflected in the increase in the base for Amherst teachers to \$8,550 which compares favorably with other towns in the area, and that yearly movement on the step system also contributes to the increase. The transportation account increase includes 2 new buses, a new van, and \$18,000 to provide transportation within the district for busing private school pupils under the ruling of RSA 189:9, a figure which would cover the possible total number of students, although it is not expected that all would use the program.

The tuition increase reflects the usual increase because the number of 8th grade students in the Middle School exceeds the number of graduating students from Amherst by 52. The need for an assistant principal for the Middle School was explained by Assistant Superintendent Bock, citing a \$5,000,000 plant, a student body of 810, a professional staff of 49 and non-professional of 19 are the responsibility of one person. The principal has often had to be out of the school applying for Federal funds or grants, with a teacher as acting principal and a substitute taking over the classroom.

Peter Hansen moved that \$18,000 for transportation of private school pupils within the town be eliminated from the budget. Seconded. The legality of the motion was questioned and the Moderator ruled that since state statute 189:9 required this transportation, the district should supply it. The ruling was upheld by a vote of 70 to 57. Motion Lost.

Alan Huebner moved that \$17,000 for an assistant principal be stricken from the budget. Seconded. Motion Lost.

Mr. Huebner moved that \$12,800 for the gifted students program be stricken from the budget. Seconded. Mr. Pomerleau noted that there are superior students with a need for an accelerated program. With 40-80 students at the elementary level, this program would be evaluated before continuing.

Discussion of a possible health program showed that the study is not completed and this program should be begun for all grades 1-8. Mr. Huebner's motion lost.

Mr. Huebner moved that \$5,000 be eliminated from the budget for a negotiator for the teachers' contract. Seconded. John Mendolusky of the Ways and Means Committee noted that the teachers are now associated with the MHEA and NEA. Mrs. Trudo, a teacher, said that not too many had joined and she felt that over the years there had been a good relationship between the teachers and the board. The Board felt that such a person could deal objectively with the teachers. Motion Carried.

Article 6. in the amended amount of \$3,710,307.18 is carried.

Article 7. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Mr. Stearns spoke of the qualifications and experience brought to the Board, his influence, leadership, and contributions, and asked for a rising vote of thanks to Chairman Ronald Pomerleau, retiring Board Member.

Arnold Dickinson moved adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.













## OFFICE HOURS of TOWN OFFICERS

### Selectmen

Town Hall: Tuesday Evenings, 7:30 p.m.

### Selectmen's Secretary

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Town Clerk

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

### Tax Collector

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

### Zoning Administrative Official

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon  
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

### Library

Main St.: Mon. & Tues.	1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Thursday	1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### General Information

Town Office Telephones	673-6041 and 673-6048
Town Clerk — Tax Collector	
Selectmen — Recreation Director	
Zoning Administrator	
Fire Chief	673-2934
Road Agent	673-1293
Highway Department	673-2317
Police Department	673-4900
Civil Preparedness — Roy Maston	673-4803
Library	673-2288

### Souhegan Regional Landfill — Rte. 101

#### Dump Sticker Required

Open Tuesday, Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

For Police or any Emergency 673-1414

To Report a Fire 673-3131